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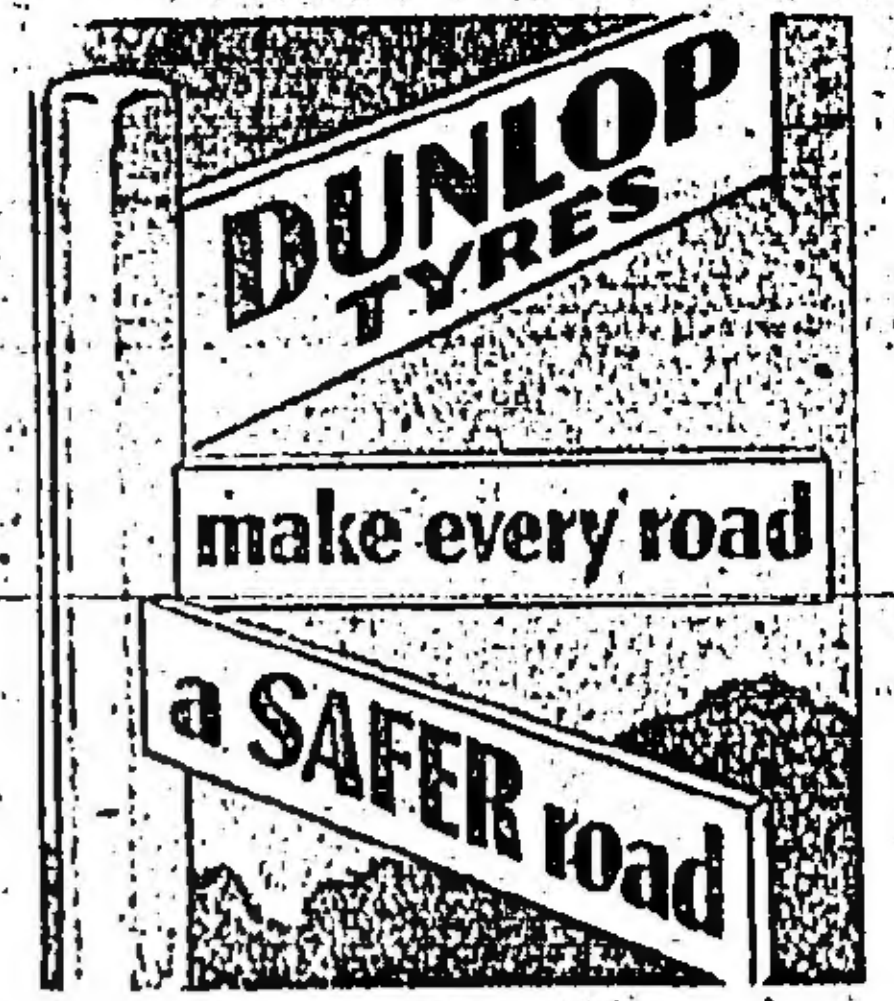
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FRENCH WARNING TO BERLIN

CANNOT RE-ARM RHINELAND BRITAIN EQUALLY DISTURBED MILITARY MEASURES THREATENED

Paris, Jan. 16.

A strong warning to Germany to keep her hands off the demilitarised zone in the Rhineland, was given by the French Ambassador at Berlin to Herr von Buelow, the German Secretary of State, in the course of conversations at the Wilhelmstrasse last Monday. It is learned here to-night.

The French Ambassador declared that if Germany attempted to militarise this zone France would be obliged to take military measures of the utmost importance.

He also assured von Buelow that the Franco-British military agreement only concerned the Mediterranean Zone, and that there was no question of any Franco-British military agreement contrary to the Treaty of Locarno.

In reply to the Ambassador's protest, von Buelow promised that the recent German press campaign against demilitarisation of the Rhineland zone should cease, though the promise has hitherto borne no fruit.

French quarters understand that the British Government is equally disturbed by the German attitude with respect to the demilitarised zone.

CABINET IN SESSION

London, Jan. 16.
For the fourth day in succession, Mr. Stanley Baldwin, Prime Minister, held a meeting with Ministers who throughout the progress of the Anglo-Ethiopian war have been acting as a committee on defence matters.

High officials attended the conference.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service.*

“WANTON INSULT” TO DEAD

U.S. SENATE INQUIRY RAISES STORM

SENATOR NYE ATTACKED

Washington, Jan. 16.

Breezy scenes in the United States Senate followed the adjournment, for a week, of the Senate Munitions Inquiry. Senator Connally attacked Senator Nye's statement that the late President Woodrow Wilson was guilty of falsification in stating in 1919 that he knew nothing of plans to divide territory between the victorious Allies before he went to the Versailles Peace Conference.

Senator Connally hotly declared: “Senator Nye has wantonly and flagrantly insulted the memory of President Wilson.”

“This inquiry”—he referred to the Senate Munitions Investigation—“is an unseemly effort to besmirch America's record in the Great War. The Committee of Investigation is prowling around a graveyard and attacking the dead president.”

Mr. J. P. Morgan, the head of the great financial and industrial house which bears his name, violently resented the charge made at the inquiry that the United States had been “bought” into the war with British money.—*Reuter.*

GANDHI BETTER

Wardha, Jan. 16.
Mahatma Gandhi is progressing satisfactorily and he is leaving Bombay, on route, Ahmedabad, where he hopes to recuperate.—*Reuter.*

ITALY ANSWERS CHARGE

ONLY BOMBED TWO TROOP CAMPS

AMBULANCE'S OWN FAULT

Rome, Jan. 16.
Without making any direct denial, the Italian authorities have answered the charge that their war planes bombed a British ambulance unit near Desaiye for four hours, inflicting heavy casualties on civilians, with the assertion that they bombed two camps on the day in question.

An authoritative source says that with regard to the alleged bombing of an ambulance near Desaiye, it is stated that Italian planes bombed two camps, one containing two hundred tents and many troops and the other five hundred tents.

If an ambulance was hit it was its own fault, says the Italian statement, for according to the Red Cross convention, it should not have been stationed among fighting troops.—*Reuter.*

PLANE UNDER GUARD

Khartoum, Jan. 16.
The Italian plane which was forced to make a landing at Tokar, in the Sudan, was a large three-engined monoplane which is believed to have lost its way when returning to Asmara after a bombing expedition.

The District Commissioner motorised to the scene of the landing and took the four occupants of the plane to Tokar. The aeroplane is now under guard.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service.*

SAKALVALA PASSES

PARSEE EX-M.P. FOR BATTERSEA

London, Jan. 16.
The death has occurred of Mr. Shapurji Saklatvala, the Parsee, who formerly sat as a Communist M.P. for North Battersea.

Mr. Saklatvala, who was born in Bombay, the son of a Parsee merchant, studied in England, where he was called to the Bar. He sat for North Battersea from 1922 to 1923, but lost his seat in 1929. For his activities in the General Strike in 1926, he was sent to gaol for two months. Later he had not been permitted to visit India, on the ground that he was likely to make inflammatory speeches.—*Reuter.*



Lincoln Ellsworth, the American aviator who has been missing for many weeks, is believed to have been sighted in the Antarctic. He is seen here on left studying map for his Antarctic flight.

MISSING AIRMEN FOUND?

HOPE REVIVED FOR ELLSWORTH

TRIED TO HOP OVER POLE

London, Jan. 16.
A dramatic radio message received in London indicates that the Discovery II has reached the Bay of Whales and sighted a man from an aeroplane, as well as a machine at Little America. It is hoped that the man sighted from the plane, which is one of those carried by the Discovery II for reconnaissance purposes, may be Lincoln Ellsworth, the American aviator, who has been missing for many weeks.

Part of the message cannot be decoded, and a repetition is keenly awaited. Ellsworth's base ship, Wyatt Earp is apparently about 420 miles from the Bay of Whales. Ellsworth, with a Canadian pilot, was attempting an exploratory flight over the South Pole when he vanished. Wireless calls were picked up by his base ship, but could not be deciphered. It is presumed that the two flying explorers were forced down somewhere on the mainland of Little America and that they had made camp there, awaiting a rescue expedition. This has been on its way for the past six weeks, and a big plane has been sent rushing south from New York to participate in the search for the lost aviators.—*Reuter.*

VOTE TO SUPPORT M. LAVAL

FOREIGN POLICY QUESTIONED

HERRIOT TO RESIGN?

Paris, Jan. 16.

The Chamber, by 400 votes to 240, recorded its confidence in M. Laval, the Premier.

An Independent Socialist spokesman attacked the Premier's foreign policy, declaring that he claimed to be the friend of Britain, Germany, Italy and Russia all at the same time. They wanted a clear definition of the Government's policy before an election and before M. Laval went to Geneva.

M. Laval declared that the Chamber had already approved the Government's policy on foreign affairs. He understood that M. Edouard Herriot will definitely resign from the Cabinet on Saturday. M. Laval has stated that if other Radical Socialist Ministers follow suit, he himself will resign, though whatever happens will go to Geneva on Sunday evening.—*Reuter.*

SHOW-DOWN LATER

Paris, Jan. 16.
M. Laval secured his confidence vote on a priority vote on the Government's

ITALIANS' SMASHING ATTACK

OVERCOME STOUT DEFENCE

ADVANCE OF 43 MILES

(Special to “Telegraph”)

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Rome, Jan. 16.

A vivid description of the battle of Gannadiora was given to *Reuter's* correspondent with the Italian Army to-day and has been cabled here. He states that the battle is practically concluded, with an Italian advance of over 43 miles in four days.

The Italians had to face a determined resistance from Ethiopian machine-gunners, concealed in small semi-circular trenches. But tanks approached to the edge of these and poured a murderous fire into the occupants.

The most impressive and heroic scene of the whole engagement was an Ethiopian cavalry charge on advancing Italian skirmishers along the south bank of the river Gannadiora. Tanks were hurried up to support the infantry, who were mostly Dubats, and although the fire from the tanks depleted the ranks of the attacking horsemen terribly, the black warriors gallantly returned again and again to the assault.

They rode furiously, but vainly against the tanks, which raked them with machine-gun fire.

Aircraft bombed the Ethiopians' rear ranks to prevent reinforcements coming up to the battle. The planes

KIPLING FIGHTS FOR LIFE

Condition Admitted To Be Very Grave

London, Jan. 16.

Mr. Rudyard Kipling's strength is being maintained, but his condition is not improved.

The latest bulletin from the hospital states that his condition is extremely grave.

—*Reuter.*

also tried to bomb the headquarters of Ras Desai, but whether or not they were successful is not known.

The battle is hailed as a big victory for Italy.—*Reuter Special.*

OFFICIAL REPORT

Rome, Jan. 16.
It is officially learned that the Italians advanced 43 miles along the entire front in the Dolo sector, the Ethiopians retreating in disorder and the Italians pursuing and inflicting heavy losses.—*United Press.*

THINKING OF PEACE

Addis Ababa, Jan. 16.
News that the American adviser to the Emperor Haile Selassie, Mr. Colson, has left by air for Desaiye, is interpreted here to mean that the Emperor is seriously studying certain tentative peace proposals which a group of smaller European powers

are making in the hope of securing relief for the famine-stricken northern front.

As the Emperor's departure for the north is not long delayed, this may be the last occasion for some time that he will have the opportunity of personally consulting Mr. Colson.—*Reuter.*

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Earlier in the day, the Radical Socialists decided to oppose M. Laval and withdraw their party members from the Cabinet. However, the decision is not binding on individual members of the party, who are free to support M. Laval if they prefer.—*United Press.*



Above is seen the youngest Italian soldier serving at Ethiopia. Photo was taken at Adigrat.

PROBING AIRLINER DISASTER

INQUEST AWAITS EXPERT PILOT

DELAY IN SEARCH

Alexandria, Jan. 16.

The City of Khartoum, which is probing the loss of the big Imperial Airways plane here, adjourned to-day until further notice. It probably will not be resumed until the arrival of Captain Travers, who at present is piloting the airliner on the run between India and Africa.

This man's evidence is considered essential as it may throw light upon the alleged lack of instant action in organising a search for the delayed ship.—*Reuter.*

FOOD FOR PETROL

Alexandria, Jan. 16.
The opinion that the Imperial Airways liner, City of Khartoum, recently wrecked with heavy loss of life, carried twice as much in the shape of buffet provisions as was necessary, was expressed by Station Superintendent Hough at the resumed inquest to-day.

Superintendent Hough considered that fifty kilos was sufficient. Tonnages of petrol were taken off the machine at Athens to enable extra provisions to be carried, he said, adding that “with my long experience with Imperial Airways I would definitely remove buffet stock in preference to petrol.”—*Reuter Special.*

VICKERS' PROGRESS

AIRCRAFT DESIGN ADVANCES

London, Jan. 16.

Air experts consider that the system of “Geode” construction, embodied in the new Vickers Wellesley bomber, which was on show at the Hendon display last year, may mark one of the most important recent advances in aircraft construction methods.

The system, which promises great advantages in civil as much as in military use, was invented by Mr. B. N. Wallis, designer of the airship R.100, and it is a development of that method used in the building of that airship. The system permits great weight reductions to be made in wings and fuselage, without loss of strength, and increase of the span of wings relative to depth, giving greater efficiency. The result is a substantial gain in performance.

Another advantage is the absence of internal members from the wings, allowing free disposal of space for petrol tank, cargo or even as the inventor visualises as a possibility for the future with a very large machine—passenger cabin.

The Vickers Wellesley medium bomber is in production in considerable numbers for the Royal Air Force. If it could be loaded only with fuel, the Wellesley could fly 8,000 miles in still air.—*British Wireless.*

REAL THREAT OF NAVAL RACE

BRITISH VIEW OF IMPASSE

BUILDING COMPETITION ALMOST INEVITABLE

London, Jan. 16.

Following to-day's decision at the Naval Conference to invite the Japanese to continue to attend as observers, it was agreed that the status of the conference would not be changed. The reason for this attitude was explained to *Reuter* by an eminent member of the British delegation, who said the decision expressed the hope that the conference decisions would be acceptable later to Japan, as much of the usefulness of the delegates' work depended upon the attitude of the Japanese towards it.

He regretted the Japanese departure, he said, particularly as with a little less rigidity on the Japanese side they might have done good work.

The British unofficial spokesman declared the Japanese press had rightly emphasised that the country does not intend to embark upon a naval race. “Nor does anybody else,” he added.

“Nevertheless, the absence of agreements makes a race almost inevitable, and the most dangerous race of all, would be in the qualitative field,” he asserted.

Great Britain sympathises with the Japanese political difficulties, but by leaving the conference and refusing to discuss either quantitative or qualitative limitation of armaments or the plan for an exchange of building programmes, the Japanese had brought the risk of this much-feared naval race rather closer.

ANGLO-U.S. AGREEMENT

Questioned on the likelihood of an Anglo-American building race, the British spokesman declared that Britain and America were at one in the desire to preserve the “principle of parity, although there was no binding agreement.

It was inferred from this statement that the United States does not recognise Great Britain's need for larger cruiser strength.

The British spokesman asserted that the British and American delegations do not intend to indulge in bi-lateral talks on the question of relative quantitative strengths. It is recalled that these two countries had long bi-lateral talks before the conference was called and it is assumed that a satisfactory, tacit understanding on these points was reached then.—*Reuter.*

REPLY TO JAPAN

London, Jan. 16.
When the First Committee of the Naval Conference met this afternoon the Chairman, Lord Monsell, submitted a letter which he had received from the Japanese delegation stating that it could no longer usefully participate in the work of the Conference. The Committee agreed upon the terms of a reply to the Japanese delegation.

The committee then resumed discussion of quantitative limitation and adopted unanimously the following propositions:—That an exchange of information is an essential feature of any agreement; “that limitation of naval armaments, and that advance notification of programmes is most desirable. The Committee adjourned until to-morrow afternoon.

The letter which the Chairman of the Naval Conference has addressed to the Japanese delegation refers to the notification of the decision of the Japanese to discontinue their participation in the discussions and says this decision, all the delegations feel, is a matter of regret. It is stated by this decision, they have decided that the work of the Conference shall proceed.” The letter concludes with an enquiry whether the Japanese Government wish to send observers to keep in touch with the work of the Conference.

JAPAN'S SINCERITY
In Naval Conference circles, satisfaction is expressed on the progress (Continued on Page 7.)

NEW EVIDENCE

Trenton, Jan. 16.
Governor Hoffman of the State of New Jersey has relieved Bruno Hauptmann for thirty days to permit the examination of purported new evidence.

The Governor's action followed the United States Supreme Court's rejection of the plea for a stay of execution and the decision against Hauptmann of the Court of Appeals and of Error.—*United Press.*

“THIS WON'T BE CHALLENGED”

Trenton, Jan. 16.
The Governor of New Jersey announced a thirty-day respite for Bruno Hauptmann following a conference with the Attorney-General, Mr. Willems, who led the prosecution of the prisoner.

“We are agreed that this step won't be challenged,” said the Governor. “It is my intention to grant only one respite. There will be no further respite.”

The Governor cited fourteen respitees of condemned men as his precedent, and added that he was granting the respite for diverse reasons “known to me.”

“I consider it an act of executive clemency,” he said.

WIFE OVERJOYED

Mrs. Hauptmann was overjoyed at the news.

“That's wonderful. I can only say ‘thank you,’” she sobbed. “My only wish now is that the truth should come out and that the terrible people who did the kidnapping should be caught.”

Mayor La Guardia of New York City, when informed, remarked:

THREE MONTHS

Trenton, Jan. 16.
The respite granted by Governor Hauptmann to Bruno Hauptmann really means that the condemned man has at least three months to live, since he will have to be re-sentenced and this will take some time.—*Reuter.*



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Lady Kingsford Smith waited five years for "Smithy" to keep his oft-repeated promise to give up record breaking. Now the woman who waited is to be the woman who acts.

She has taken his place on the board of his company, the Trans-Tasman Air Development Co., Ltd., formed with a capital of £200,000—and the magnificent memory of a great air pioneer.

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Last year "Smithy" and Captain P. G. Taylor flew a single-engined land airplane from Australia to California.

Over the Tasman Sea, Taylor climbed out on to the wing of the airplane to feed oil into the faltering engine.

Twice-Weekly Service to N.Z. Lady Kingsford Smith and Captain Taylor plan to run a twice-weekly service to New Zealand in flying boats that carry twenty-eight passengers and a crew of five.

A correspondent spoke to "Smithy" at Croydon just before he started on his last, ill-starred flight. He said: "I'm thirty-eight. Now



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Air Circus

COBHAM'S FAMOUS FLYING CORPS CHANGES HANDS

C. W. A. Scott, co-winner with "Tom" Campbell-Black of the £10,000 England-to-Melbourne air race prize, has taken over Sir Alan Cobham's famous travelling air circus.

Scott will be chairman of the circus when it resumes operations in the spring.

He will have under his control the entire assets, including aircraft, of National Aviation Display, Ltd.

Sir Alan Cobham toured Great Britain with his circus during the first four years of its working. In that time he took his handful of pilots and machines to more than 2,000 towns and villages.

Scott was formerly a transport pilot in Australia.

MORE SANCTIONS BY LEAGUE OF NATIONS

—Against The Fly

The League of Nations is preparing sanctions against the common fly.

An international commission of experts under the chairmanship of Major E. E. Austen, of the British Museum, is sitting at the London School for Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, concerning measures against the aggressor.

Swats and fly-papers have been the only defence against this enemy for years. Something more scientific is now in store for the unpleasant little fellow.

The experts come from places as far distant as Copenhagen and Singapore.

Denmark and Hungary have produced films illustrating the fly's activities. These films and the two countries' counter-measures will be shown to the conference.

Carrier of Typhoid The fly may seem small fry for an organisation charged with the extermination of war, but typhoid is no joke and it is one of the branches of the Covenant with which the fly is charged. How he carries typhoid is one of the questions the experts are discussing.

Dr. Pampuna, a member of the Conference, told the *News Chronicle*:

"This Conference is an interesting example of one of the many activities of the Health Section of the League of Nations."

"In only a few countries where flies are a particular pest have public authorities taken any measures. Experiments under League auspices have been going on since 1931 in Spain, Denmark, Hungary, Germany, France and Algeria, and the experience gained will be pooled at the present conference."

"I CAN SEE . . . I AM DISAPPOINTED"

—By A Blind Girl
Chippenham (Wilts), Jan. 1.

AFTER ten operations for cataract, Miss Madge Brewer, aged twenty-five, of New-road, Calne, who was born blind, can now see.

This is what she thinks about things:

People's faces are disappointing—they are all so much alike.

She expected to find every one beautiful—but they are not.

She expected to find flowers beautiful—and she finds that they are.

Miss Brewer, who was educated at a school for the blind, has been undergoing treatment at Bath Eye Infirmary.

Awkward At First

She said: "After about six months I could begin to see dark shapes before my eyes. Gradually they became clearer and now I can distinguish things quite easily. I am still under treatment at Bath and my sight is growing steadily stronger."

"I felt very awkward at first. Although I can read Braille I had to learn the letters of the alphabet and I am beginning to read ordinary books."

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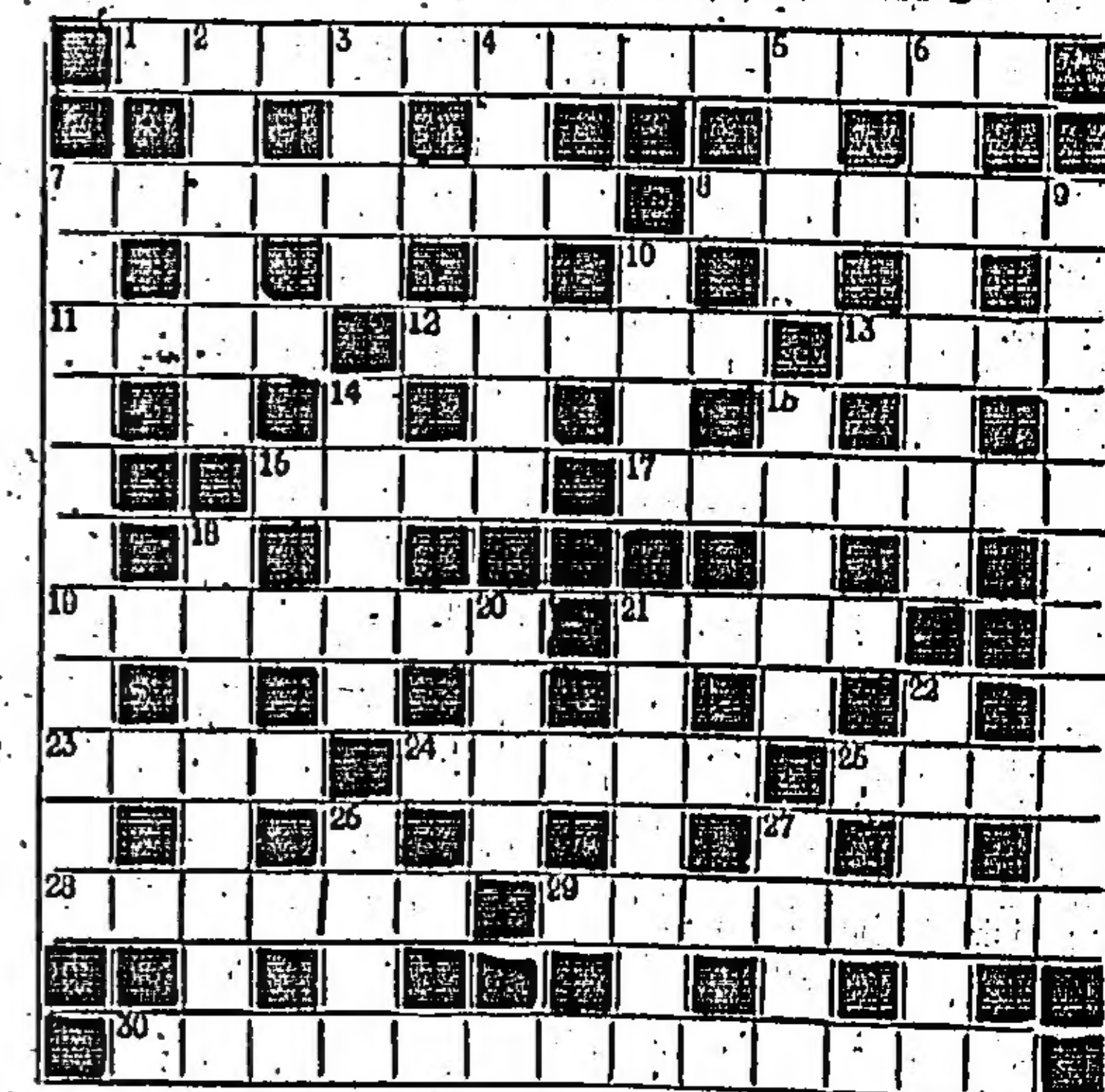
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- When a century was made in one.
- To cook a chop in a queer way.
- Need not as a hill.
- Plins made by mother with further thought.
- Makes a sharp not so.
- Caring.
- Sulk.
- The best part of harvest.
- A dry (anag).
- Behold in it good-bye. One was.
- No speed merchants, certainly, but they sometimes lose their heads and join boards.
- Gloating.
- Gas.

Down

- Display without ostentation.
- It's the tail of little birds.
- Banners.
- Pretty poor in the end.
- The London street formerly occupied by Hebrews (two words, 3, 5).
- Tools that tell what the barber did and does.
- A man who puts a spoke in anyone's wheel.
- Look carefully—for the hidden

verses?

- This will make a bird furious.
- Goes no further having the summit in full view.
- One of Shakespeare's men of substance.
- When this is changed nowadays 75 per cent. is not offended.
- As common in churches as in a boy's pockets.
- May describe a law or a floor.
- The part of the chimney that brings to mind what Bleriot did.
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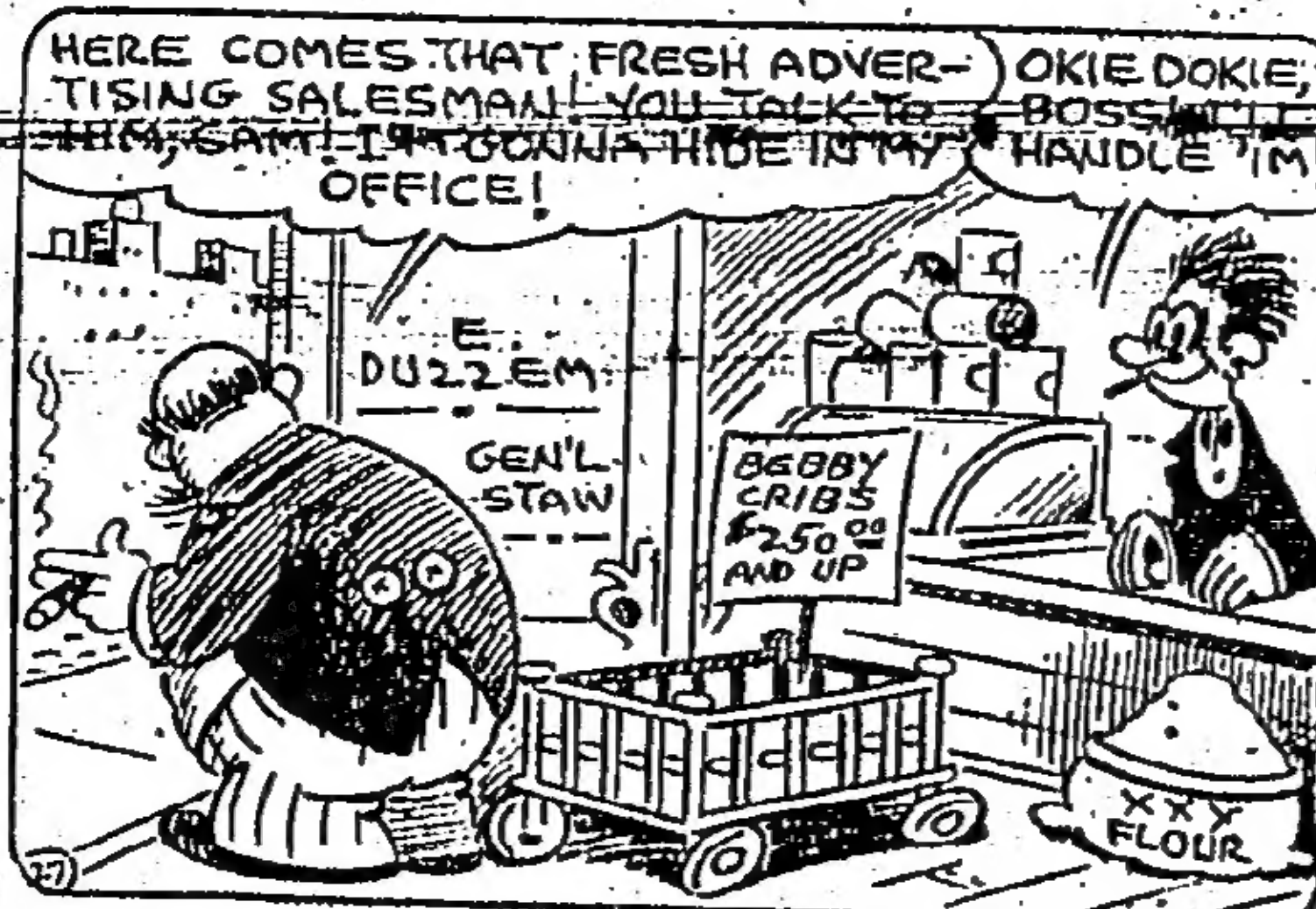
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SENSATIONAL PLAGIARISM CHARGE

Noted American Author Enters Action Against Korda

"PRIVATE LIFE OF HENRY THE EIGHT"

"UNWARRANTED AND BLATANT PIRACY" ALLEGATION

One of the most sensational charges of plagiarism recorded in American legal history, involving hundreds of thousands of pounds, has been filed at the Brooklyn Court, New York.

Francis Hackett, author of the famous biography of Henry VIII., has entered an action against Alexander Korda, London Film Productions and United Artists, for damages in respect of what he claims to be their "unwarranted and blatant piracy" in the film, "The Private Life of Henry VIII.", of character parts, episodes and incidents abstracted from his book.

He is represented in this action by Miss Fanny Holtzmann, the American lawyer who won a verdict for Princess Yousouf, niece of the late Tsar, in the Hanputin libel case brought in London against Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer.

The case is brought under the copyright laws of the United States, under which a successful complainant is entitled to collect the entire profits realised by the defendant as the result of using the plaintiff's original text. The profits in this instance are estimated at very large sums.

With his complaint, Mr. Hackett filed a copy of his book. He demands that the defendants likewise file a copy of their film so that the court may examine both.

An answer to the charge is asked within 20 days, and the demand is made that an immediate injunction be issued prohibiting any further showing of the film pending a settlement of the present litigation.

Mr. Hackett demands payment of all profits derived from presentations of the film, and asks that the court order the defendants to produce their books and accounts recording the profits that have accrued.

Mr. Hackett claims that the picture is "willful and deliberate piracy" of his book. He asserts that:

"The defendants copied and used the characterisation of Henry VIII. and other persons mentioned in his book, who are characters in his book, in the film, in that episodes, incidents, and in general, the atmosphere created by the complainant were incorporated in the picture."

"The complainant's new and original conception of the personal habits and method of living of Henry VIII. and other principal characters, built up and developed by the complainant in his book, and the dialogue and incidents therein assembled and published as the result of several years of arduous research and study, were appropriated and used in the production of the picture without recourse to the sources from which the complainant obtained his original material."

Interviewed at his New York hotel Mr. Hackett said, "Over 1,000,000 Americans have read my book, and many more millions have seen my presentation of the same subject."

"I had been living in the United States for many years until the necessity for detailed historical research took me to England. In Europe, for several years prior to the publication of my book, I gathered material by extensive research, not only in England, but also in Paris and Italy."

"After my book was published and had reached the stage of a best-seller, my agent went to Hollywood, where

Korda's Reply

"Not one situation or episode of Mr. Hackett's has been used in the picture," Mr. Alexander Korda said. "Froude could sue us with just as much justification. Our film was based on Mr. Hackett's life of Henry VIII., but on Henry VIII.'s life as lived by himself. With embellishment, of course, for we set out to present the story not as a contribution to history, but simply as entertainment and good fun."

"If this claim were legitimate, why is the action brought in America and not here? And why wait three years? The whole thing is simply ridiculous."

BRITAIN GUARDS GATE TO INDIA

Aircraft And Tanks Unloaded Under Glare Of Arc-Lights

The following message has been received by air mail from Reuters' special correspondent in the Suez Canal Zone:

ANXIETY about future events in Egypt is unallayed by the daily reports of peace talks in Europe.

All night long, under the glare of arc-lights, British soldiers are unloading war material on the quays at Alexandria, key point on the route to India. Many steamers from England are loaded with airplanes, guns, lorries, ambulances and tanks, and thousands of rolls of barbed-wire.

In the desert at Sidi Bichr, on the outskirts of Alexandria, six miles of barbed-wire entanglements enclose a canvas military township, complete with macadamised roads, cinemas and cafes.

Five thousand tents are on their way from England, and there is talk of more troops arriving shortly.

Lines of warships exercising and practising gunnery daily on the horizon are no longer a novelty. Residents have become accustomed to the crashing of anti-aircraft guns on the sea front.

Wooden barracks and offices are springing up at strategic points of the town. Visitors arriving at Alexandria by airplane from Cairo obtain their first glimpse of Britain's defences in Egypt as they approach the gate into Alexandria.

Full of Warships

Here a small village of black huts, barracks, trenches, dugouts, and guns, surrounded by a wall of barbed wire, has sprung up almost overnight.

Warships at anchor in the harbour form a solid background of

ASTAIRE AND ROGERS TO PART

THEIR FILMS HAVE TAKEN £1,000,000

THE most successful film team—Fred Astaire and Ginger Rogers—is to split.

Both will go on making films. But with different partners.

Two years ago they had never met. He was a famous stage dancer, but he was considered lacking in screen personality. He had starred in only one picture:

She was a rising young actress, but not a star.

Then, in quick succession, they made "Gay Divorce," "Roberta," and "Top Hat." Each was sensationally successful. Each made more money than the last.

Audiences have already paid more than £1,000,000 to see the Astaire-Rogers films, and they are still making money.

"Top Hat" broke all records in its first week in New York. It took 250,000 in seven days at the Radio City Music Hall.

Record Profits

It is now in its fourteenth week in the West End of London, and opens at the Alhambra Theatre in Hongkong next week.

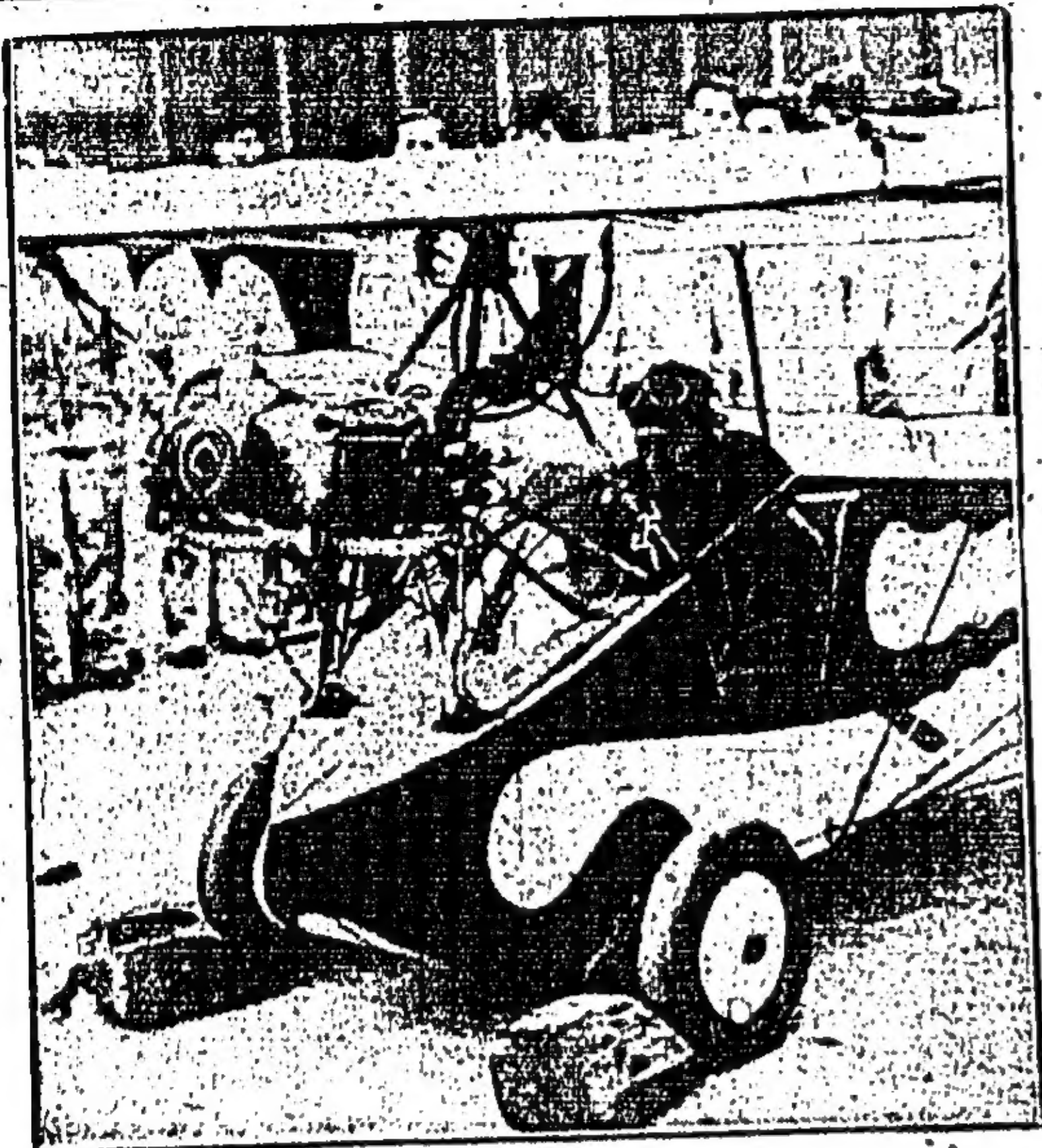
No starring team has ever made so much money for a film company in such a short time.

The decision to part, which has been foreseen several times in Hollywood, is indicated by the announcement that Astaire's partner in his next film will be an American stage dancer, Harriet Hoctor.

The Astaire-Rogers partnership will be seen once more, however, for they have just finished their fourth picture, "Follow the Fleet."

Astaire recently signed a new contract with Radio Pictures, by which he will earn £100,000 in 1936. Miss Rogers' salary was raised from £275 to £300 a week.

THE POOR MAN'S AEROPLANE



Clyde Pangborn, famous ocean flier, was pictured in New York in the cockpit of the "Flying Flea"—a poor man's aeroplane. Before he took it off the ground for a test flight around the field, not everything was satisfactory to the test pilot, but he succeeded in getting it off the ground and flew it at an altitude of 400 feet, and at a speed of approximately 60 miles an hour. The machine, and at a speed of approximately 60 miles an hour. The machine, and at a speed of approximately 60 miles an hour. The machine, and at a speed of approximately 60 miles an hour.

£50,000 ESTATE OF THELMA TODD

ONE DOLLAR TO EX-HUSBAND

Hollywood, Dec. 28.

THELMA TODD'S lawyer, Ronald Dutton, revealed at the inquest on the film star to-day that her estate was estimated at 250,000 dollars (£50,000).

To her former husband, Pasquale Decicco, from whom she was divorced last March, she left one dollar. Her estate was bequeathed to her mother.

While Miss Todd was at Ida Lupino's party at a fashionable Hollywood restaurant on Saturday night it was disclosed that Decicco was at a party on another floor of the same restaurant.

Conflict of Evidence

Miss Todd's beautifully-gowned body was found on Monday at the wheel of her car in a garage at her roadside cafe. She had apparently died from carbon monoxide poisoning.

Conflicting evidence was given on the question whether she had gone to the garage after being locked out of her apartment.

Her partner at the cafe, Roland West, told the coroner that he

boiled the door on Sunday morning and went to bed after 2 a.m.

Maid's Denial

His theory was that having dismissed the chauffeur who drove her home from Ida Lupino's party at a Hollywood restaurant on Saturday night, Miss Todd found that she was locked out and rather than awaken the chauffeur, she had walked up the hill to the garage, started the engine of the car to keep warm and was overcome by fumes.

Miss Todd's negro maid, May Whitehead, gave evidence, however, which contradicted this suggestion. She said that she handed Miss Todd a key to the side entrance before she left for the party.

The maid added that she put the key in Miss Todd's purse—"the same white purse found in the garage."

Threat was a Joke

Roland West's evidence was followed closely by the crowded court, which contained many film stars.

He had been quoted by the police as saying that he warned Miss Todd that he would not let her into the house if she returned later than 2 a.m. But to-day he explained to the coroner that he had made the threat jokingly. Shortly before 2 a.m. on Sunday he received a telephone call that Miss Todd was about to leave the party.

He went for a walk with the dog. On his return he locked the cafe door, bolted it and went to bed and to sleep.

At 3.30 he was awakened by the dog whining. He heard water running in the building and assumed that Miss Todd was home.

He added that Miss Todd was in fine health, except for fainting spells. On a previous occasion when locked out she had smashed a pane of glass to rouse him and let her in.

NEW ZEALAND LOSES ITS MOST FAMOUS DOG IN BOAR FIGHT

One of the most famous dogs in New Zealand, a mastiff named Tiger, was recently killed in a fight with an "Old Man" Boar, which had hitherto defied all hunting parties.

Tiger had good claim to being one of the finest pig-dogs in the country for it is estimated that in the last eight years he had helped to kill more than two thousand wild pigs. Twice he had saved his master's life when the latter was in danger of being savaged. High prices have been refused for him. Included in his other accomplishments Tiger was a first-rate cattle dog, gun-dog and retriever, while he would dive from a height and even swim under water.

VILLAGE HATED HIM ONCE—NOT NOW

Hurstbourne Tarrant (Hants), Jan. 1.

SIXTY-EIGHT old men and women in this little Hampshire village took part in a modern version of Dickens' "Christmas Carol" to-day. A heavy snowstorm completed the picture.

In 1920, Mr. Henry Wy'e Prosser, a one-time engineering millionaire, came to live in his shooting box, The Windmills, a mile outside the village—turned it into a twenty-roomed house.

But during his lifetime Mr. Prosser was not liked by the village. He fought the parish council in the courts over questions of rights of way over his 2,000-acre estate.

A year last November he died, aged seventy-eight.

But Mr. Prosser wanted to be remembered by the village which hated him. He left a field for a recreation ground and £2,000 to provide every working man and woman over sixty of ten years' residence in the parish with an annual Christmas present.

The first share-out took place to-day. All day the vicar, the Rev. H. C. Threlfall, distributed coloured tickets to thirty-six old men and thirty-two old women out of the village's 650 inhabitants.

The tickets represented credit with local tradesmen for 51lbs. of



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STUDENT DEMAND

WAR WANTED BY DELEGATES

Peiping, Jan. 16.
Three brigades of Student Crusaders, at present marching in Central Hopei have been surrounded by troops of the Twenty-Ninth Army which General Sung Chieh-yuan has reportedly ordered to suppress the students' rural propaganda campaign. No violence has been reported.

The Students Union has presented gifts to the soldiers at the East Gate of Peiping who fired on Japanese soldiers on January 6, and has congratulated them on their attitude.—United Press.

Demanding War.

Nanking, Jan. 16.
More than 100 late students called on Mr. Oong Wei-hao, Secretary-General of the Executive Yuan, and demanded to know when China was going to declare war upon Japan. They also insisted that they be told the extent of China's military preparations.

The young patriots assert the Government should be determined to recover the "lost territories" and suppress the northern autonomy movement. The Government should punish the traitors in the North and pursue open diplomacy instead of the secret diplomacy which has hitherto been the rule.

General Chiang Kai-shek is issuing a statement to-morrow.—United Press.

Chiang's Address

Nanking, Jan. 16.
Marshal Chiang Kai-shek addressed a conference of university presidents and students from all over the nation and said, "China's internal organization and military preparedness is ethereal and thus we cannot open war now. Under my leadership the Government is not going to sign any treaties selling the country."

He stressed Japan's determination to encroach on the Asiatic continent since the last thirty years, also the lack of secret diplomacy, which the students alleged. It is significant that the delegations did not include students from Peiping who are radically inclined.—United Press.

Delegates Meet Chiang

Nanking, Jan. 16.
Marshal Chiang Kai-shek received all the educators and students' delegates this afternoon.—Reuter.

Restrictions Eased

Canton, Jan. 16.
Martial law was considerably relaxed to-night as the possibility of fresh disturbances has lessened in consequence of the students deserting their schools.

It is officially indicated that the state of emergency will be lifted in the next few days if quiet continues.

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HITLER'S THROAT

OPERATION TO BE PERFORMED BY FRENCH PROFESSOR

Paris, Jan. 17.
The Paris Soir reports that Professor Georges Portmann, Senator from Gironde, has been approached to perform an operation on Herr Hitler's throat.

It is said that the Professor was approached because the Reich's private surgeon was unwilling to risk an operation and Hitler was unwilling to summon Professor Neumann, the famous Viennese specialist, who is a Jew.—United Press.

TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

WEEK FREE FROM DEATHS ON COLONY ROADS

The weekly return of traffic accidents for the Colony, between January 4 and 11, records no fatalities, but 24 persons were injured.

Details of the accidents are: 10 caused by running across the road, 11 injured; 3 caused by stopping off the footpath, 3 injured; 6 caused by walking on the roadway, 6 injured; 24 caused by collision between vehicles, 3 injured; 4 caused by vehicles colliding with property, 1 injured; 2 caused by falling off or jumping on vehicles in motion, 2 injured. The accidents totalled 49.

VIGNETTES OF LIFE

By J. NORMAN LYND

Short Biographies



"I NEVER SEEM TO GET AHEAD...I MAKE POEY A WEEK OR SOMETHING OR OTHER. MY EXPENSES ARE ALWAYS FIFTY—IT'S DISCOURAGING!"



"IT'S JUST ONE DON'T AFTER ANOTHER—SEEMS LIKE AS IF!"

"SURE, I'VE BEEN MARRIED LOTS OF TIMES, BUT JUST WHEN YOU THINK EVERYTHING'S FINE—BLOODY! THEY START HAVING IDEAS OF THEIR OWN!"

"I OWE IT ALL TO THE LITTLE WOMAN!"

"THE POLITICIAN—WHO WOULD RATHER TALK THAN WORK—HAS A GIFT OF GAB AND A PONTIFICAL MANNER—FOUND SOME PEOPLE WITH LESS BRAIN THAN HE HAD—AND SO WAS ELECTED"



"I STARTED LIFE AS A BAREFOOT BOY, SAID HE—AS WHO DIDN'T?—EXCEPT THE GIRLS—AND THEY DON'T BLAT ABOUT IT."



"I'VE BEEN A SAILOR, AN ACTOR, AN ENGINEER, A HOBO, AN AUTHOR, A NIGHT WATCHMAN, A SALESMAN, LECTURER, DOCTOR, CONVOY, ADVERTISING EXECUTIVE, DOG-CATCHER, EVANGELIST, AND CROONER—LOOKS TO ME AS IF THE WORLD OWES ME A LIVING!"



"THE BIG FISHERMAN—STARTED FISHING THEM OUT OF THE GODFISH BOWL WHEN ONE YEAR OLD—HAS BEEN AT IT EVER SINCE."



"THE LAD WHO HAS BEEN IN SOME UNINTERESTING PLACE AND GIVES ALL THE DETAILS OF CLIMATE, THE CUSTOMS OF THE NATIVES, THE IMPORTS AND EXPORTS, THE PLUMBING, OR LACK OF IT, COST OF LIVING, POLITICAL TRENDS, THE WILD LIFE, THE VEGETATION AND WHAT THE PEOPLE DO IN THE WINTER WHEN THERE IS NO FISHING—"

Note to Radio Listeners
Please tune in on ZBW To-morrow at 1.40 to 2.15 and Sunday at 1.30 to 2.00 for a Special Broadcast of Selections from the above Picture direct from the King's Theatre.

NEW ZEALANDERS GIVE GRAND RUGBY DISPLAY

Outplay Hongkong With Exhilarating Movements



The New Zealanders nearly always obtained possession from the line-outs in yesterday's game and this picture gives some idea of the reason why. (Photo: Ming Yuen).

Brilliant Three Quarters

FIVE TRIES CONVERTED BY
G. R. BUSH

Colony Beaten Coming Out Of Scrums

The New Zealand Universities rugby team swept over Hongkong like a storm yesterday afternoon; a storm that struck quick, devastating blows of undiminished force. His Excellency the Governor and some 2,000 spectators watched its progress.

The tourists may be proud of their first match, played at the Hongkong Football Club grounds against a sound side of Colony players, and which ended with a 29-8 score for the visitors. These young university players, well-matched in pace and physique, combining to form one of the most threatening teams ever to play here, should give the best competition Japan can offer a stirring match.

Yesterday's game, the first the visitors have played as a team, proved the individual value of the New Zealanders' attack and defence for all to see. Presently, when the team is more closely welded, working more smoothly, and the men are better acquainted, it will be more formidable. It would be interesting to see this fifteen play the same Hongkong team two months from now after the Japanese tour is completed. It could probably almost double its score.

That does not mean that the Hongkong defence was anything to moan over. There would have been done credit to any representative selection. The backs were particularly sound: St. Clair Ford, wasted as an attacker on the wing because the ball seldom reached him, McGilchrist, on the other wing, and

Robertson took him in a hard head-on tackle. Robertson tore his ear and retired for repairs and Sowman dropped back from the pack.

There was steady play by both sides before Jones completed a back's run, including McAuliffe and Fookes, and scored close in. Bush converted. Gillies, the N.Z. skipper, showed tremendous speed on the several occasions he got away at this period, and it was after a clever run that he scored off Robertson's fumble of Fookes' short punt. Bush again added points.

Gillies again opened the way for Parsons to score and Bush converted.

KNOCKED UNCONSCIOUS

Robertson was tackling heavily and with deadly precision. He stopped the flying Gillies in a bone-shaking dive at a critical moment and started his ear bleeding again.

St. Clair Ford's splendid tackle stopped the mighty Bush when the fullback was running with the three, and spoiled a dangerous drive.

Robertson was knocked unconscious when tackling a fast-moving winger in the early part of the second half, and went off for a few minutes. He came back with his head well bandaged.

Meanwhile, a misjudged punt gave McAuliffe an opportunity, and he dived over the line on top of the ball, unfurling Bush again added points.

Hongkong fought back hard, as always, and Butcher took a free kick

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RUGBY VISITORS WELCOMED

ENTERTAINED TO TIFFIN

COMPLIMENTARY SPEECHES

The New Zealand Universities rugby team were given a warm welcome by the Australian and New Zealand Association of Hongkong when they arrived in the Colony yesterday.

The boat was delayed and did not berth until nearly 1 o'clock, but thanks to the energies and enterprise of Mr. S. H. Garrod the visitors were able to leave the ship immediately in a private launch to attend the tiffin arranged in their honour at the Gloucester Hotel.

Dr. H. D. Matthews, President of the Australian and New Zealand Association, presided and others present included Mr. L. G. Robertson (captain of the Hongkong Rugby XV), and Mr. S. H. Garrod, as well as a large attendance of members and friends.

WORTHY TEAM

In welcoming the New Zealanders, Dr. Matthews said they all felt that the team was very worthy of upholding the worthiness of one of the greatest games in the world. The players were on their way to Japan where they would show how rugby should be played. It gave them in Hongkong particular pleasure in welcoming the team that day, and they wished them the best of luck during their tour.

The health of the visitors was lauded and in response Mr. P. Martin-Smith, manager of the New Zealand team, said they were all very grateful for the warm welcome they had been given and the kindnesses shown by their hosts that day. They were especially grateful to Mr. S. Garrod for the manner in which he had succeeded in getting them off the boat in time to attend the tiffin. He had accomplished it, added Mr. Martin-Smith with almost "animal cunning" (laughter).

They had already been separated from their home folks for some time and it was therefore very nice to know they were among friends as had been amply demonstrated, and they all hoped to see more of their Hongkong friends before leaving the Colony.

NZ VARSITY PLAYER GETS A DUCKING

FOOKES FALLS INTO THE SEA AT THURSDAY IS.

If you mention Thursday Island to H. H. Fookes the New Zealand Universities rugby three-quarters he will pull a face as if it were on their way to Hongkong that he had an unpleasant experience.

Going off in the launch from the jetty to return to the Kitanos Maru, Fookes, the last man to board the boat, found it pulled away before he had made a footing and into the water he went. He was dragged out by willing hands none the worse for his emersion, save than the loss of dignity.

But there were serious possibilities. The waters all around are shark infested.

In the same dead water; Fraser, hard-hitting, on top of the attack at all times, and Hutchison, using his head as well as his weight. These men were among the most dependable on the field.

The ball seldom reached them. When it did come Hongkong's way from scrums, the New Zealanders were close after it. Moreover the three-quarters were lining backing too far and too deep and much of their effort was wasted.

DIFFERENT STORY

Not so New Zealand. When the ball came flicking clear of the scrum's heels, the three-quarters were instantly in motion. They took the half-back's pass on the run. They came at terrific pace, running close together, joined by the half-backs and the quickly-breaking forwards, especially the wings of the second row of scrum.

But they, too, fumbled frequently—fortunately for Hongkong. It was fumbling which slowed the game. Maybe he was nervousness. It did not spoil the match, but it made a considerable difference in the plays. A thrilling run would be checked suddenly by a slipperily-fingered runner, with no apparent excuse.

It was a fumble on Robertson's part, at full-back, which gave the New Zealanders their first score. He misjudged a short punt, the bounce fooled him and he had to touch down. Parsons took the ball over the line from a five-yard scrum. Bush converted.

ROBERTSON HURT

Parsons galloped into another scoring position a few minutes later, after Hongkong's attack had been tumbled and the New Zealand forwards had rushed a dribble back, but

Sheffield Wins Cup Replay

COVENTRY TAKE TWO POINTS

London, Jan. 16. The last of the F.A. Cup third round replays was decided today when before their own supporters Sheffield United beat Burnley by two goals to one. The United now visit Preston in the fourth round.

In a third division (southern section) game Clapton Orient entertained Coventry and were beaten by the only goal scored.

In consequence of this result and the defeat of Reading by Queens Park Rangers on Wednesday, the records of the first four teams in the league table read as follows:

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH).

	P.	W.	D.	L.	P.	Pts.
Luton	22	14	4	4	42	18
Coventry	23	13	5	5	53	25
Reading	23	15	8	5	53	38
Queens P.R.	23	13	3	7	60	32

SURPRISE FOR TOMMY LOUGHRAN

World Cham. Outpointed By Welshman

London, Jan. 16. Tommy Loughran, the undefeated American holder of the world's cruiser-weight boxing championship, received the surprise of his life tonight.

He met Tommy Farr, Welsh cruiser-weight champion in a ten round scrap and was outpointed. The fight was staged at the Albert Hall and Farr received a wonderful ovation when the verdict was announced.

Reuter.

ABLE WARRIOR LAME?

Able Warrior, the Australian sub-griffin which has so impressed in its recent training sprints and has been named as the best of the new subscription griffins, is reported to be lame.

The pony was not on the Happy Valley Course yesterday morning.

BADMINTON

ST. ANDREW'S "B" LOSE

TO THE RECREIO SECOND STRING

In the only men's doubles league badminton match last night St. Andrew's "B" were hosts to Recreio "B" but were easily beaten by eight games to one and 184 scores to 113.

Scores:—

M. Well and A. S. Blass (St. Andrew's) lost to H. A. Barros and A. E. Xavier 14-21; lost to F. Remedios and A. J. Basso 22-24; beat E. Alves and P. Silva 21-13.

C. Angus and S. A. Broadbridge (St. Andrew's) lost to Barros and Xavier 6-21; lost to Remedios and Basso 5-21; lost to Alves and Silva 18-21.

L. Kirby and J. Dawson (St. Andrew's) lost to Barros and

LEAGUE TABLE

	P.	W.	L.	G.	Pts.
Recreio "A"	7	7	0	55	8
St. Andrew's "A"	7	0	1	40	17
Recreio "B"	8	7	1	63	12
C.R.C.	7	6	2	40	17
Elliott Hall "A"	4	4	0	32	4
Firo Brigade	8	4	4	20	43
St. John's	8	4	5	31	50
V.R.C.	9	3	0	30	51
St. Andrew's "B"	7	2	5	23	41
Talkoo R.C.	6	2	4	10	35
Elliott Hall "B"	1	1	0	7	2
S. and S. Home	7	0	7	19	44
Kowloon Tong	9	0	9	25	74

SHANGHAI'S PROBABLE TEAM FOR SOCCER INTERPORT

AS EXPECTED: TRIAL ON SUNDAY

Shanghai, Jan. 14.

A final Interport trial soccer match between the probable Shanghai XI and the Inniskillings 1st XI will be played at the Stadium on Sunday next. The Interport match between Shanghai and Hongkong will take place at Canidrome, kick-off at 3 p.m., on Friday 24, and in the event of a draw the match will be re-played the following day at the Stadium.

Last Sunday an Interport trial match between a selected XI and Tung Hwa was played, and the following players have now been chosen as the probable Shanghai XI for next Sunday's trial match:—



Suan Kam-sun, formerly of Hongkong, selected as reserve for Shanghai in the forthcoming Interport football match.

G. Holmstrom (A.S.P.), J. Shute (S.M.P.), M. Lee (C.A.S.), C. Remedios (A.S.P.), A. Costa (Lun-tan) (captain), H. P. Madar (S.P.C.), Y. L. Chia (Tung Hwa), A. Collaco (Lun-tan), A. Howe (S.P.C.), A. Bolaserie (S.P.C.), D. Chen (Three Cultures), Renervest, L. Marcel (A.S.P.), Z. Liang (Three Cultures), K. B. Suen (Tung Hwa), T. Wille (S.M.P.).

The Hongkong Interport XI will be arriving in Shanghai on Tuesday, January 21, in the Lloyd Triestino m.v. Victoria. The first match the visitors will play is the Interport on home in the m.v. Empress to Russia, January 24. In addition, two other matches have been arranged. On



The teams of the New Zealand Combined Universities, and Hongkong caught by the camera before the start of yesterday's rugby match on the Club ground. Seated on the extreme right is Mr. P. Martin-Smith, manager of the Varsity team. (Photo: Mee Cheung).

Latest News About Hongkong Derby Candidates

NUMBER LESS BUT QUALITY SHOWS BIG IMPROVEMENT

(By "Captain Foster")

The Hongkong Derby was first run in 1873 when Surprise (owned by Lowcock) passed the winning post first; the time of the race is not given in the records of the Hongkong Jockey Club. In the following year, the classic was won by Alone, covering the distance in 3.25.3/5 as against 3.09.3/5 set up last year by Herod, who annexed the coveted Blue Riband for the stable "Hem" owned by Sir Victor Sassoon, Mr. D. E. Sassoon and Mr. H. Priestley. The present record of one and a half miles is 2 minutes 56.3/5 seconds and it was established by Liberty Bay (Mr. Proulx) when he won the St. Andrew's Cup for Mr. L. Dunbar on December 1, 1934, and I wonder when this record will be lowered?

We are having, to-day, not only a better class but bigger animals and these Griffins cost the owners a good sum of money. The main event of the Annual Race Meeting is undoubtedly the 1936 Blue Riband and we have a little over 30 aspirants as against 50 odd last year. The decrease—in the number—of Derby Griffins is owing to the trade depression. I append below a list of the Griffins.

Owner	Name	Colour
Mr. C. B. Brown	Amberley	Ches.
Chau, Chan & Kwok	Laughing Buddha	Brown (M)
do	Laughing Cavalier	Ches.
do	Laughing Girl	Grey (M)
Mr. L. Dunbar	Boddy View	Ches. (S)
do	Goodnews Bay	Brown (M)
do	Thunder Bay	Roan
Mrs. Dunbar	Bear Claw	Bay
Dynasty	King's Lead	Dun
do	King's Sceptre	Ches.
Mr. Eu Tong Sen	Donovan	Ches. (S)
do	Rose-Mary	Ches.
Mrs. V. M. Grayburn	Tyne	Hay
Harriman and Bradbury	Royal Consort	Ches. (M)
do	Royal Highness	Ches. (M)
do	Royal Scot	F. B. Grey (M)
Mr. Li Lan Sang	Forest View	Ches. (M)
do	Glorious View	Bay
do	Gorgeous View	Ches. (M)
do	Splendid View	Black
do	Magnificent View	Ches. (M)
Mr. Li Shui Pang	Zenith	Grey
do	Miracle	Ches.
Mr. Li Tao Fong	Gold Jubilee	Ches.
Kong Bros.	Gay Star	Ches. (M)
do	Old Star	Bay
do	Dawn Star	Bay (M)
do	(Not named yet)	Hay
Mr. L. Reidy	Advancing	Grey
Sir Victor Sassoon	Royal Wedding Eve	Grey (M)
do	Horsemoon Eve	Dun
Mr. G. G. N. Tinson	Estray	Ches. (M)
do	Beneath	Grey
Why	Silversmith	Grey

Messrs. Chau, Chan and Kwok are new owners and it will be observed that their Griffins have been named Laughing Buddha, Laughing Cavalier and Laughing Girl. The last named is about the best of their string and is, in my opinion, a sprinter. Mr. Li Lang-sang tops the list of owners with five Griffins and then comes the stable of Kong Bros., who have four candidates. Mr. G. A. Harriman is racing on joint account with Mr. B. W. Bradbury and they are well represented with three nice mares. All the other old owners have practically the same number of Griffins as last year and there are some well-bred ponies in the batch.

WINNER AMONG THESE FOUR?

Judging by the action from what I had seen during the early mornings, Honymoon Eve, King's Sceptre, Rosemary and Royal Scot are first class animals and I sincerely trust and hope that I shall not be wrong in saying that the potential Derby winner is among these four mares. It will be recalled that Diana Bay was the first mare to win the Hongkong Derby in 1899 and in Liberty Bay's year, the second pony, Wild Life, and the third, Princess Hall, in the Hongkong Derby were mares.

Race-Queen lost the classic event last year by only half-a-length and I prognosticate that the three placed ponies in 1936 Blue Riband will be mares.

None of the aspirants has really been stretched and the best gallop to date over the Derby distance was

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Fine Gallops By The Australians

(By "Captain Foster")

There were some fine gallops of Australian Sub-Griffins during the last week, especially the performance of Zodiac. Last Thursday (January 9) this mare was given a sharp spin over a mile and the journey was covered in 1.59, finishing the last quarter in 26.3/5 seconds. The intermediate quarters were 32, 30.3/5, 29.4/5, and 26.3/5, and it will be observed that the last half a mile was negotiated in 56.2/5 seconds.

Mention was made in my last notes about the wonderful gallop of Able Warrior, covering the mile in 1.58 flat and it seems that these two ponies have a strong claim or rather their chances are very rosy for the Sydney Maiden Stakes over six furlongs.

Miss Y. Shenton's Shek-O Fox put up a good mile last Saturday in 2.04.1/5 and the man at the wheel showed a good judgment of pace in timing an average of 31 seconds per quarter. Shek-O Fox was not extended and the mare finished gamely.

Strathroy belonging to Mr. J. F. Macgregor cantered the mile in 2.06.1/5 and came home with full of running. I like the gallop of The Dunlin who took 2.10.3/5 over a mile and although it was not a fast one, it showed that the brown gelding came from a good breed in the Antipodes. It is with much regret to report that Hercules owned by Mr. Hin Shing Lo pulled up lame during the gallop on Wednesday morning and is now in the hospital.

CHINA PONIES SUB-GRIFFINS

BEST TRAINING TIMES RETURNED LAST WEEK BY HOPSCOTCH

(By "Captain Foster")

The best training times of China Ponies Sub-Griffins during last week were performed by Hopscotch, Peter Davey, Hellbender, Judea, and Wild Cat.

Last Thursday (January 9) Hopscotch showed her ability in galloping the home run in 31 seconds. Her mile in 2.18.4/5 and she finished last half-a-mile was 1.04.2/5 and she was not ridden all out. Although Peter Davey cantered the 1 1/4 miles in slow time, he was certainly moving well and is a better pony than Busbridge.

In a try-out held last Saturday between Hellbender, Hawthorn and Celebration Time over one and a quarter miles, it may interest students

of form to know that Hellbender paid up for the last quarter first in 8.08.2/5 and was about four lengths ahead of Hawthorn. The second, third, and fourth quarters of the gallop in question were, to my estimation, too fast and this was responsible for the poor finish, namely, 34.3/5 seconds for the last quarter. Wild Cat was sent over the Derby distance last Sunday and he did the journey in 3.44. He finished gamely covering the last two furlongs in 30.4/5 seconds and although the last mile was galloped in 2.19 flat, the last three-quarters were done in 1.11.1/5 and it was certainly a grand performance.

Without question, Wild Cat is a stayer and his prospects for the Hongkong Stakes over 1 1/4 miles at

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IMPORTANT CRICKET MATCH FOR THE I.R.C.

MEET CRAIGENGOWER TO-MORROW

LAST WEEK'S DEFEAT NOT TO BE TAKEN SERIOUSLY

UNIVERSITY MAKE START TO THEIR PROGRAMME

(By R. Abbit)

First of all in these notes I will deal with to-morrow's games briefly. In the Senior League there are no less than three games. Of these the most important is that between the Indian Recreation Club and Craigen-gower. The Indians play on their own ground, and it is the old, old story. They want a win outright. If they get it they will have twelve points from four matches as against the Hongkong Club's eight, and they will be in a commanding position with only three more games to go.

I am not inclined to take their defeat at the hands of the Civil Service last week too seriously, excellent as was the play of the Civil Servants. There may have been an unintentional slacking off in what may have been regarded as an easy game, in which no points were at stake. I think there is very little chance of Craigen-gower winning the match, barring the well-known uncertainty of cricket! But I am by no means assured that they will not be able to draw it. One vital point will be as to how their batsmen shape against a fast bowler. The Club, against whom they did pretty well, had not one. Moreover, Minu's leg breaks are of an entirely different type to those of Craigen-gower. But as far as possible, supporting C.C.C. do get a good score. I think A. T. Lee would be well advised to stick to himself, and Hamson with perhaps a few overs from Broadbridge if he is playing. The others are too expensive, especially on a small ground.

AN UNKNOWN QUANTITY

The University first eleven are due to play the opening match of their League programme, and go to King's Park to take on the Navy. There is no line on the Navy's form this year as yet while the bowlers in which department of the Navy are very weak, especially in bowling in which department they are to be reckoned as stock bowlers. The small change is not too good either. The game should be an interesting one, but I shall not attempt to predict the result.

As regards the C.C.C. and K.C.C. match, I think the C.C.C. will need all their improved form to escape defeat. Lee, Goodwin and Burnett are in form. Goodwin rather like bowling on the C.C.C. wicket and I have painful memories of playing him for six overs about eight years ago and not getting a single run off him. But the recent success of the Civil Service may have put their tails up.

"These bring success their zeal to Jan. They can because they think they can." There is no doubt that a long series of lean seasons have reduced the morale of the Civil Servants, and a success will no doubt go to improve this. McLellan has been able to turn out again, and it is just on the cards they may spring a surprise on the K.C.C.

The remaining game in the Senior League is non-League between the Army and the Club at Sookanpoo. It should be a bright affair and perhaps the Club will be able to try out some new bowlers. To-morrow is the first occasion on which all the Senior League teams have been playing.

JUNIOR LEAGUE

There are three League games down, so far as I know, in the Junior division of the League. Although they are at home I hardly think that the University second eleven will be able to hold Navy II unless the latter team is hopelessly depleted in making up the first. There must be plenty of useful cricketers even among the few ships who have here now, but I imagine the great difficulty is to locate them.

Craigen-gower are at home to the I.R.C. Juniors, and as the latter have not been entirely convincing so far they may pull it off, though I confess I am doubtful of it. There may

well be a draw. But in the third game, I think the Wallace at home should have a very good chance of beating the R.A.M.C.

As regards non-League games, the K.C.C. second team seem to have failed to arrange the "first and second at home and away matches" this season, and while their first eleven visits the Civil Service, they are at home to the Club second eleven—a pretty close fight. I see the Civil Service have no game, and presume this is the case with the R.B. Heerle and R.A.S.C. though I have no precise information.

LAST SATURDAY'S GAMES

I gave so full an account of the Club-K.C.C. Match in my article on Tuesday that I had to pass up the rest of the games until now. There was a very interesting League game at Sookanpoo between the Army and Craigen-gower.

Lee, who did so well against the Club, was not playing but A. B. Hamson, A. T. Lee, and G. Souza all got round about 40. The two latter had batted very well against the Club.

A POINT OF THE RULES

A rather interesting incident occurred during the game, and I recall it as it was told me by the fieldman in question. When A. T. Lee was batting a good ball from Elvin beat him but apparently went past the wicket and was taken by the wicket-keeper who was about a yard behind the stumps. Square leg then drew the attention of the square leg umpire that the ball was displaced from its groove and asked how it was. The umpire was understood to say "not out" and to have qualified his decision by a remark which should not have been made to him. In this he was perfectly correct, but if my facts are accurate, I doubt his power to give a decision at all and think he should have merely replied "The decision does not lie with me." My opinion—which I do not put forward in any positive way—is that the appeal should have been made to the bowler's umpire, stating the grounds—i.e., "ball displaced." He should then, unless prepared to say that the ball definitely had not touched the wicket, have inspected the ball and then either given a decision, or if unable to do so owing to having been unsighted when the ball was passing the wicket, have asked the square-leg umpire whether in his opinion the ball had touched the wicket. If the reply was in the affirmative he could give the batsman out. But let me repeat (a) that there are merely my views and (b) that the facts are as reported to me. (It is extraordinary how often one may get two or three entirely different versions of an incident, with all of them given in perfect good faith.)

A SURPRISE WIN

When the I.R.C. at Sookanpoo declared at 166 for seven wickets, it

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Callan Threatens.—In a breakaway Callan brought the ball into the Chinese territory with Bolsaree (Interport player) on his left ready to receive the pass. N. Lee and S. S. Ko came up to intercept while Chang, the goalie, dashed out from his charge in an attempt to gather the ball from Callan. The foreigners won the Charity Cup match at the Shanghai Stadium last week by three goals to two.

Entertaining Our Lady Interporters

BIG PROGRAMME ARRANGED

A full programme of entertainment for the Hongkong Ladies Interport hockey team has been arranged by their hosts, the Shanghai Ladies Hockey Association.

According to information received, several tea parties have been arranged as well as a sukiyaki dinner. Besides this, the Hongkong visitors will be taken on sight-seeing and shopping expeditions if time permits.

On Thursday 23, both Interport teams will be the guests of honour at a luncheon party at the Park Hotel, and on Saturday, January 25, a supper dance will be held at the International Recreation Club.

The Hongkong team will also see the Interport Football match.

THE FIRST MATCH

Hongkong Ladies will meet the Sportsgirls' Club at Hongkong Park on January 24, at 11 a.m. The Sportsgirls' Club, who are League Champions, will be represented by the following: Iris Heinzelman; Bobbie Carson, Margaret McCracken and Vera Beir; Mabelle Bloomfield, Clare Nichols, Jean Bloomfield, Cecile Getz and Debby Bloomfield. Reserves: Betty Walker and Elsin Little.

GRAND RUGBY DISPLAY

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From the twenty-five yard line and scored the Colony's first points. It gave the Hongkong side heart. They tore into the game. The backs went into loose scrimmages and played closer to the opposing line, breaking into formation runs and spilling power drives.

Gillies, after several well-executed back plays, got into kicking position and dropped a field goal in his stride. It was a beautiful kick.

Bush kept running up when his backs got the ball and using into formation drives with them. It was in one of these that a fumble gave the Hongkong forwards a chance. They kicked the ball into the clear. McGilchrist, always on top of the play, kept the ball moving with his feet and went over to score with half the New Zealand team on his heels.

That was the end. There was no doubt about the ability and capacity of the New Zealand side. They went off the field glowing. Hongkong would welcome them again.

Our Daily Golf Hint

There are a number of elements responsible for the long ball; the main ones are speed, good timing, and the accurate application of the club-face to the ball.—Charles Herndon.

LATEST NEWS ABOUT DERBY CANDIDATES

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performed by Silversmith, who last Sunday covered it in 3:32.2/5 finishing the last quarter in 31.2/5 seconds. The last mile was timed in 2:17.2/5 and this pony is good for minor races. Last Saturday, Zenith and Miracle were out to do times over 1 1/2 miles and although they galloped the distance in 2:52.3/5, they were crawling at the end. I like the six furlongs center put up by Royal Wedding Eve and Montymoon Eve on January 9 when they did the distance in 1:46 and the finish was very impressive. All the "View" ponies were sent over the Derby distance last Sunday and with the exception of Splendid View, all others finished very badly. The full time of Rosemary over 1 1/2 miles was on the slow side, namely, 3:10 flat but the home run of two furlongs was galloped in 29.1/5 seconds and the last half-mile was 1:02.3/5. I expect to see some fast gallops to-morrow morning.

CHINA PONIES TRAINING

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The Annual Race Meeting are very rosy.

Balios and Celebration Time were given a sharp spin over a mile last Wednesday and although the former won by a small margin, Balios was waiting at the end for Celebration Time. It should be observed that the quarters were 35, 33.1/5, 34.1/5, 35.2/5 and the whole time was 2:18.4/5. It must be admitted that the second quarter, namely, 33.1/5 seconds, was racing time and had the riding boys not rushed the animals up the track, I am sure Balios and Celebration Time would have returned a decent last quarter.

Rose Evelyn gave a fine display over six furlongs on Wednesday morning, and her gallop was timed in 1:45.2/5, coming home in 31 seconds and the last half-a-mile was journeyed in 1:06.

Owners are reminded that the Entries for the Annual Race Meeting will close to-morrow at 3 p.m. I fully expect to see some fast gallops in the morning enabling the owners to know whether their ponies are sprinters or stayers.

ENGLAND'S TEST TEAM IS TAKING SHAPE

G. O. ALLEN WILL BE CAPTAIN IF HE CAN KEEP FIT

G. T. ASHTON AND A. B. SELLERS AS ALTERNATIVES

(By A. Correspondent)

England's cricket team to tour Australia in 1936-37 is taking shape.

If ill-health, injury, or muscle-strain do not intervene England's captain will be G. O. Allen, of Middlesex. The fact that he is going to play regularly for Middlesex next season is proof that he considers himself, at present, likely to be fighting fit.

His choice would be most popular in Australia, where he is well liked, and it would be much to the liking of our own cricketers, both amateur and professional.

"Gubby" as Elton named him (his third initial is "B"), is a really good "mixer" and has a lion's heart.

JUDGMENT

He would certainly not be a howling captain who would either over- or under-do his share of the overs; because added to his ability on the field is a capacity for cricket judgment above his years.

He fills the first requirement for a Test match captain in that he is worth his place.

In the event of Allen incurring another breakdown the two next choices are C. T. Ashton, of Essex, well worth his place as an all-rounder; and A. B. Sellers, of Yorkshire, an already proved first-class captain and worth his place, if fielding alone counted, in a World's XI. In Yorkshire they will not hear of anybody else but Sellers for Australia.

C. T. Ashton is a natural high-class player of ball games, a sound and class batsman when things are not going well, a smart field anywhere, and quite a likely break-partnership bowler.

I am prepared for all three amateurs here named to go on the tour, with R. E. S. Wyatt as the certain fourth.

There is plenty of precedent for another than Wyatt to be captain. In 1905 F. S. Jackson captained England, in whose team was A. G. MacLaren, under whom Jackson had played in England in 1902.

In 1903-4, with both Jackson and MacLaren available, P. F. Warner was made captain for the Australian tour. His side won the rubber 2-2, but not only was he not captain here in 1905, after his successful tour, but he was not even chosen.

WYATT'S POSITION

More recently A. W. Carr was passed over for the fifth Test at the Oval in 1920 for A. F. Chapman; and in 1930 Chapman was passed over in the fifth Test for R. E. S. Wyatt. In 1921 the late J. W. H. T. Douglas was passed over for the Hon. L. H. Tennyson, but played under him.

I should imagine the happiest letter Wyatt could receive would be

the invitation to tour Australia next autumn, but not as captain. What a lot of runs he would make going in first with Sutcliffe!

The Board of Control Selection Committee, Messrs. P. F. Warner, T. A. Higgins, and P. A. Harris, must select the side to go to Australia. That is chosen by the cricket committee of M.C.C., helped by the selection committee. In the past the procedure has been something as follows: The selectors first ask the cricket committee whom they want as captain, and that individual chosen, the rest follow by degrees.

The announcement of the captain's name will be made in May, or, at latest, in early June.

Only twice, since this procedure has been followed, has the chosen captain not made the tour.

A THIRD CHOICE

For the 1920-21 tour in Australia R. H. Spofford was chosen captain and accepted. He declined later owing to the latent effects of an injury in the hunting field. E. F. Mars was then invited, but could not accept for domestic reasons. Then J. W. H. T. Douglas was asked and accepted.

For the South African tour of 1927-28 G. R. Jackson, of Dorsetshire, accepted, but had to resign owing to illness, and Major R. T. Stanyforth, and is now on the staff of the Duke of Gloucester, became captain.

The captaincy of D. R. Jardine for the 1932-33 tour was announced in mid-summer. His staff work was such that he had each player vetted by the dentist before he accepted him as a member of his team.

£200,000 SUIT BY U.S. WRESTLER

Columbus (Ohio), Dec. 24. Everett Marshall, a contender for the world's heavyweight wrestling championship, now held by Dan O'Mahony, of Ireland, has filed a suit for £200,000 damages from the Curtis Publishing Company of Philadelphia and six wrestling promoters, Marshall alleges that they conspired together to "belittle his ability."

The suit against the company, which publishes the Saturday Evening Post, alleges that Marshall's "drawing power" has been damaged by an article in the paper.

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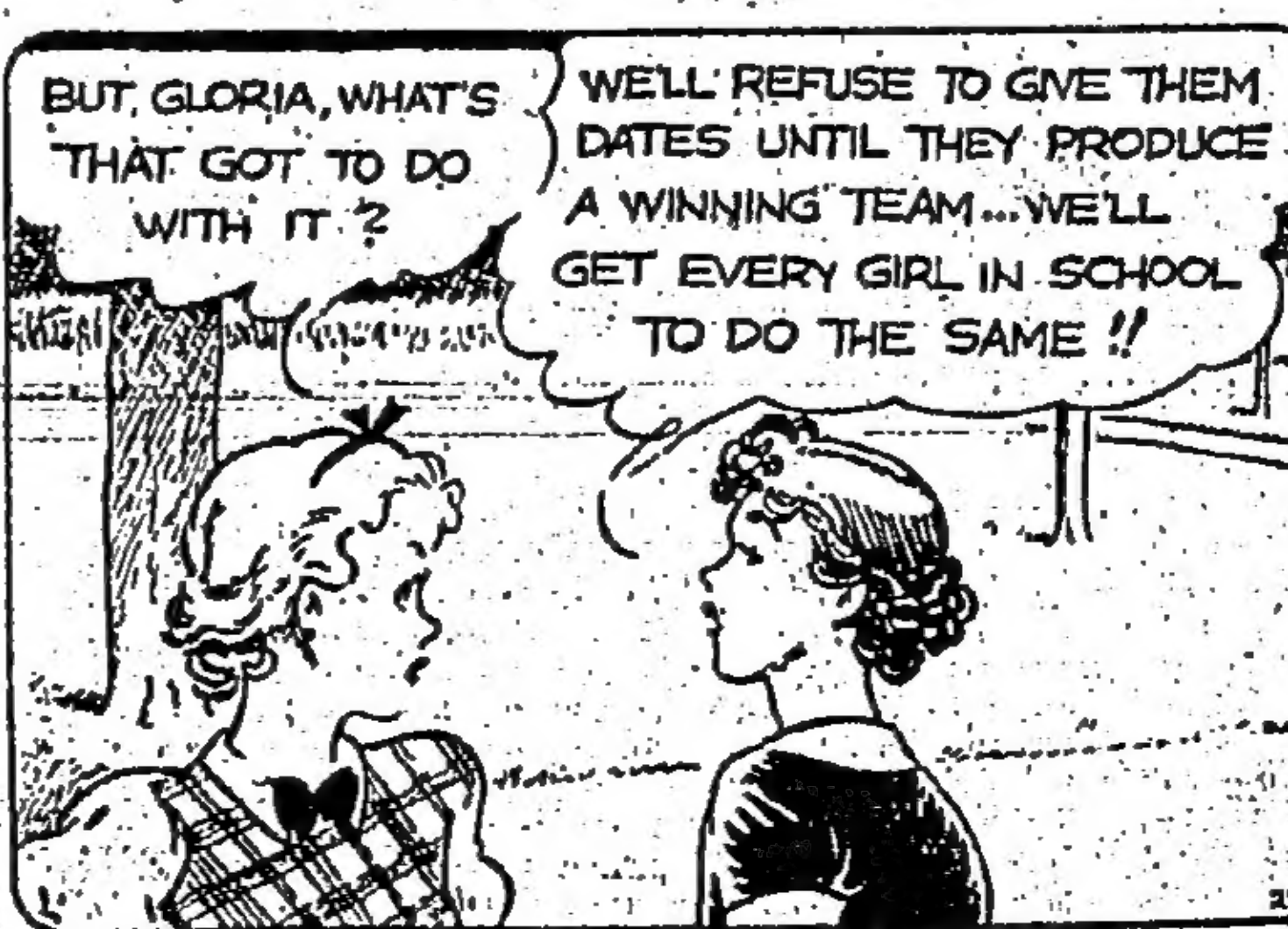
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SERIAL STORY—

BARGAIN BRIDIE

by KATHARINE HAVILAND-TAYLOR

CHAPTER XXXII

Elinor wrote Barrett stilled little notes about the weather, her father's condition, and the routine of the household. He read them thin. He could not help it. He carried them in an inner coat pocket and scanned himself for keeping them. He tried to burn them one night in the library fireplace, but the wind turned the hand that snatched them.

Toward the end of April Barrett saw Lida Stafford for the first time since her daughter had gone south. Lida appeared on a Sunday morning, wearing a dress so simple a man would call it plain, though to a woman it bore the unmistakable stamp of Paris.

"My dear Barrett!" she murmured, gliding into the library. "I heard he took her outstretched hands. He heard her say 'Lonely' and responded heavily, 'Very!'"

"You must dine with me some night, Barrett. I would so like to know you better!"

He murmured vaguely about having to get a great deal of work out of the way. He detested the woman.

Lida settled by the hearth. She stretched a slender foot toward the fender. Her ankles were still quite as good as Elinor's, she saw happily. "I came in because I have found myself to be in the most amazing position," she began.

"Yes," he prompted without enthusiasm.

"Overdrawn again! Can you fancy it, Barrett? I simply know nothing of figures! And I can't seem to learn!"

He said nothing.

"I know if Elinor were in town that she'd help me out—for a little time—and this morning I thought, 'But what's more natural than to turn to my Elinor's husband? The man whom she so adores!'"

He opened his cigarette case, offered her one and lit one for himself after lighting hers.

"Mrs. Barrett," he said slowly after a moment's silence, "the last time Elinor lent you money—which you have not returned to her—I told her I did not like it. She promised me she would not do it again. You see, therefore, that while I am sorry to refuse you, I cannot help you out."

Lida grew white, her eyes hard. She laughed harshly.

Without heeding the interruption, Barrett went on. "Elinor settled on you and your husband a large fortune, more than I wanted her to settle upon you."

"I quite believe that!" Lida broke in scathingly.

"If you can't manage on that you couldn't manage any amount," Barrett said, still coolly.

"What a delightful lecture!"

He said nothing.

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"You'll have to pull up or be very miserable," he stated. "Easy spending is a habit, you know."

She rose. With a slow, almost insolent gesture she pulled her fur close around her soft, white throat.

"I shall not forget," she said, "that I came to you for help and that you refused me!"

"I'm sorry you feel as you do, Mrs. Stafford. Can't you see that when I asked Elinor to refuse you aid I pledged myself to do the same thing?"

"Elinor would not have to know!"

"I do not lie, Mrs. Stafford."

Her face hardened. She caught the implication he had not meant to make with his statement.

She left the house shaking with rage. There was Miss Ella Sexton's house across the street. Mrs. Ella had been influenced by Barrett's scheming and persuaded not to leave her money as it should have gone. If the money had been left as it should have been, there would be no need of approaching Elinor for her husband for loans. The shoe would be on the other foot! As things were there were few chances to even up with Barrett Colvin. Unless he had on the belt his little affair! Lida could what she wished with the pledge of silence. Who was it who said that he was always running up to Connecticut? Why did he go there? Would he hit upon it—the fact that would level his pride and open his purse?

It cost a great deal, Lida knew, to have anyone "shadowed" but the original cost might prove to be one of her best investments.

She mentioned her kinked lips. If she could find her proud and lofty son-in-law in a compromising situation how she would put on the screw! And someone had said he drove to Connecticut often.

Lida found Lida abroad early. She usually woke about 10 o'clock to bathe and return to bed for her breakfast. After that she would dawdle over letters, the newspapers or perhaps a sensational novel. Then came the first of dressing which always took an hour and often more. As the clock struck one, she usually summoned forth to meet some one for luncheon or to hunt up diversion for the day.

On Monday morning found her up at eight and dressed by nine. In her car a half hour later she ordered Grier to an address on a side street.

The chauffeur, waiting before this address, smiled the cynical smile that often came to his honest Irish lips. His eyes were on the girl lettering that appeared on a plain sign window. Women like Lida Stafford were to detective agencies for just one reason—to ferret out secrets to use for blackmail or a divorce.

Grier wondered about Mrs. Stafford's errand as he waited in the new

car she had bought the day after her daughter's marriage. "She can't be having that husband of hers shadowed," he mused. "He can't get away like he is (his bed and a wheel chair)!" Grier gave up the riddle.

Meanwhile inside Lida had explained her errand. "The Aleck individual who sat back of the desk had listened to her tale and written Barrett Colvin's name and New York address on a pad. Now he said, 'We'll do all that's possible and we'll keep you informed,' Mrs. Stafford. If the facts were what you think they are and Mr. Colvin makes a trip to Connecticut soon it won't take us very long to give you the lowdown!"

Lida smiled.

"We usually number these cases," the man went on. "For one thing it makes telephone calls easier. Your case is '6972B.'"

Lida wrote, "6972B" in a small engagement book, murmuring as she did so, "Thank you!"

"Not at all, Mrs. Stafford."

She rose and drew her coat around her. The man's eyes appraised her, running over her slowly from head to foot and back again. Lida was warmed, reassured. She had been so alone since Vance Carter's "absurd outbreak." Men had been shy of her. She had once or twice felt the threat of a man's hand on her shoulder when she would do with time—and herself—when she was old. She had no investment that would return peace as the fire burned low. She did not realize her lack of resource. She thought only, "Old age is hideous!"

She left the place smiling over the memory of this strange man's sensuously glittering eyes. Her daughter would have shuddered at their light and struggled to forget it.

The day was clear, unusually warm. "Perhaps," Lida mused, "Barrett will drive up there this afternoon!"

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The paper adds that the Kodo Company is arranging to send four motor boats to be placed at the disposal of the Mexican Fishing Industrialists Association.—United Press.

JAPANESE FISHING

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Tokyo, Jan. 16.

The Nichi Nichi states that the Kodo Fishing Company has reached an agreement with the Government of Mexico regarding fishing operations in newly defined areas on the Pacific Coast through co-operation with the Mexican Congressmen Anaya who controls the trawling rights in the Gulf of California.

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H.K. COINAGE LEGISLATION**COUNTERFEIT MONEY MENACE**

The flooding of the Colony with counterfeit coinage, following the introduction of cupro-nickel substitutes for the Hongkong silver dollar and subsidiary coins, was responsible for the urgent necessity of passing an Ordinance amending the Coinage Ordinance of 1866, which came before the Legislative Council yesterday for its first reading.

Those present at the Council Meeting included: His Excellency the Governor (Sir Andrew Caldecott, K.T., C.M.G., C.M.E.); His Excellency the General Officer Commanding the Troops (Major General A. W. Bartholomew, C.B.E., D.S.O.); The Colonial Secretary (Hon. Sir Thomas Southern, K.C., O.B.E.); The Attorney General (Hon. Mr. C. G. Althamer, K.C., O.B.E.); The Secretary for Chinese Affairs (Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith); The Colonial Treasurer (Hon. Mr. T. Taylor); Hon. Mr. R. M. Henderson (Director of Public Works); Hon. Commander G. F. Hale, R.N. (Retired) (Harbour Master); Hon. Mr. T. H. King (Inspector General of Police); Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, K.T., K.C.; Hon. Sir William Shenton, K.T.; Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga, O.B.E.; Hon. Mr. S. W. Tse, O.B.E., LL.D.; Hon. Mr. T. N. Chau; Hon. Mr. J. J. Patterson; Hon. Mr. W. H. Bell; Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo; Hon. Mr. R. R. Rutters (Deputy Clerk of Council); Major General A. W. Bartholomew, General Officer Commanding the Troops in China, took the Oath of Allegiance, and assumed his seat as a Member of the Council.

Standing Law Committee. H.E. the Governor: "As this is the first meeting of the Council this year, it is necessary to appoint a Standing Law Committee. I propose to appoint the following Members who have agreed to serve:—The Hon. Attorney General as Chairman, the Hon. Secretary for Chinese Affairs, the Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, the Hon. Sir William Shenton and the Hon. Mr. S. W. Tse."

Coinage Amendment. Moving the first reading of a Bill to amend the Coinage Ordinance of 1866, the Attorney General said: "This Ordinance is rather urgent because of the recent introduction of cupro-nickel coinage in the Colony. We are being flooded with imitations, some of which are being imported. But for this urgency would ask that we refer the Bill to a few weeks later. To-day I received information that an Act, much wider in scope, was passed in England last year. But I do not think that is sufficient reason for holding up this legislation because we are dealing with a crime at the present moment. It will have to be followed by another Ordinance later in the year."

The Colonial Secretary seconded, and the Bill was read a first time.

Crown Foreshores. The Attorney General, moving the first reading of a Bill intitled "An Ordinance to validate certain undertakings which have been constructed or commenced over and upon Crown foreshores and on beds and to enact certain general provisions which shall be deemed incorporated, unless expressly varied or excepted in future Ordinances authorising reclamation or other works of a public nature over and upon such foreshores and seabed," said: "The long title of this Bill really describes sufficiently, I think its scope and object, but as this Bill was the subject which has engaged the attention of the Government and the Chamber of Commerce and other institutions over a period of five years, I have added to it a Memorandum of Objects and Reasons which is rather longer than usual, and explains the origin of other clauses."

Practice Firing. Introducing a Bill to regulate practice firing in the Hong Kong area in connection therewith for its first reading, the Attorney General said: "Hitherto practice firing has not been governed by any regulation, but it is considered by the Military Authorities that we should have some regulation designed for the protection of the public. This Bill is based on similar draft legislation at Home with regard to the defence of Plymouth. The areas mentioned in the schedule are those in which firing usually takes place."

Crown Rents. The Attorney General moved and the Colonial Secretary seconded the first reading of a Bill to make provision for the apportionment of Crown Rents. The Attorney General said: "The effect of this Bill is explained in the Memorandum. It has given the Government and legal community some thought. This particular Bill replaces one which was dropped by the previous Land Officer and drafted by the present Officer with a Committee comprising, in addition to myself, three prominent solicitors in the Colony. It is hoped that the powers which this Bill confers will be of satisfaction to land owners."

Betting Legislation. "The Gambling Ordinance of 1891 deals with unlawful games and lotteries but hitherto has not dealt with betting. The amendment provided by this Bill will make it unlawful to bet in the streets or conduct a club or building for the purpose of betting. The forms of betting and lotteries authorised by the Betting Duty

EXTRADITION CASE**ALLEGED FUGITIVE DENIES ROBBERY CHARGE**

The Crown case closed at the continued hearing before Mr. Q. A. A. Macdonald, at the Central Magistrate's Court yesterday afternoon, of extradition proceedings against Chan Shu-ting, alias Chan Shu-fun, alias Taul Kau, who is accused of robbery at Chung Sha Heung Village, No. 4 Division of the Chung Shan District, in the province of Kwangtung, on March 12 last.

Mr. J. H. Williams, Assistant Attorney-General, assisted by Chief Detective Inspector J. Murphy, conducted the prosecution, while the alleged fugitive was represented by Mr. G. S. Hugh-Jones, of Messrs. Wilkinson and Gird.

After formal Police evidence had been given, during which Mr. P. Grant, Assistant Superintendent of Police, testified to an identification parade held in Victoria Gaol on November 7 last year, Mr. Hugh-Jones put his client in the witness-box.

Chan Shu-fun, under cross-examination by his counsel, stated that on March 12 last year, he was head of a Special Detective Force. His commanding officer was Li Shu-hum, head of the Public Safety Force, was in Chungshan district. Witness Lam Pak-fong, who was head of the 1st Company of the Magistrate's Troops in that district. Both witness's force and Lam's force were stationed in No. 3 district. Lam was in a position to give witness orders.

Witness was a detective for nearly ten months, and the force was disbanded on March 10 last. At first witness wished to retire but several people including Lam Pak-fong and Li Kui-tang recommended him as a detective to the head of the No. 1 Company of the Magistrate's Troops. Witness held the position until the middle of last June, when that force was also disbanded.

Witness denied having robbed Li Kui's house. He also denied that he had never seen Li Kui or heard of him before. Witness did not know anyone called Mak Kwai-long but knew a man named Mak Sap (a Crown witness).

Mak Sap used to live in Sheung Lim Mei in Kowloon district and was a witness last year. Witness saw Mak Sap on August 10, 1935, in a tea-shop near Sai Lam where witness went to arrest him for complicity in an explosion on board a passenger Junk. Witness had information about Mak Sap and was authorised to arrest him.

These orders were given to witness by Ko Shing-wo, head of the 4th Company of the Magistrate's Troops. Since Mak Sap's arrest witness had not seen him and did not know what happened to him after he had been handed over to the head of the 4th Company.

The hearing was adjourned until 2.30 p.m. to-day.

Ordinance are however the same," explained the Attorney General, moving the first reading of a Bill to amend the Gambling Ordinance of 1891.

The Colonial Secretary seconded, and the Bill was read a first time.

Quarantine Ordinance. On the motion of the Attorney General, seconded by the Colonial Secretary, the law relating to quarantine and the prevention of disease among human beings was read a first time. The former said: "Honourable Members of this Council will remember that we passed an Ordinance which had a similar title last year, No. 12 of 1935, which contained a suspending clause bringing it into force only by proclamation, by yourself. Before being brought into force it was sent to the Secretary of State, who referred it to the Ministry of Health. They have made certain criticisms which are set out in the Memorandum of Objects and Reasons. It was thought, after considering these criticisms, that it would be better not to re-enact it in the light of these criticisms. That is what has been done in this Bill."

Telecommunication. A Bill to amend and consolidate the law relating to telecommunication was read a first time. The Attorney General explained: "Telecommunication is a long word, but unfortunately it has become the title of an International Convention which has an International Bureau. That is why we are advised by the Post Office in London to make use of that word."

The Object of this Bill is to place under the control of the Government-in-Council all forms of telecommunication in the Colony except the telegraphs erected by the Military, Naval and Air Force authorities and the concession granted to the Hongkong Telephone Company, Limited, who have a concession for 50 years under certain Ordinances mentioned in the margin of Clause 3. Other systems must get licences from the Governor-in-Council. The Bill deals generally with the forms of telecommunication and provides regulations for the properties of telecommunication, which includes radio.

Other Measures. Other Ordinances which passed through their first stage were "A Bill to amend the Police Force Ordinance, 1935," "A Bill to amend the Penalties Ordinance, 1935," "A Bill to amend the Magistrates Ordinance, 1935," and "A Bill to amend the Bills of Exchange Ordinance, 1886 and the Falsification of Documents Ordinance, 1935."

Council then adjourned until January 30.

RED CROSS BOMBING**BRITISH UNIT ATTACKED.**

Dessie, Jan. 16. Fourteen were killed and thirty-two wounded, in a reported heavy bombing of a Red Cross ambulance commanded by the British Major Burgoyne, by three Italian war planes midway between Dessie and Loko Shangi. Major Burgoyne was not hurt and a British ambulance is ready to go to the rescue.

The bombing was carried out over the village of Waddia and lasted for over one hour. Major Burgoyne's unit was destroyed and the instruments and stores burnt. Incendiary 600 lb. bombs were dropped, and a strong wind carried the flames very rapidly to the thatched roof, causing very great damage.

It is reported that fourteen bodies have been found up to the present. The victims consist almost entirely of women, old men and children. The majority of the wounded are women and old men.

It is claimed that Geneva Red Cross markings were clearly displayed. A British ambulance with four doctors and twelve assistants has rushed to Waddia along difficult and perilous roads at night time in response to a telegram from Major Burgoyne. The British unit is under Doctor Melly who proceeded to the scene before dawn.—*Reuter.*

United Press Version. Dessie, Jan. 16. Three Italian planes for the space of one hour yesterday bombed the Red Cross caravan at Waddia, commanded by the British ex-Army officer, Major Burgoyne, and destroyed two tents, instruments, bandages and other equipment. Sixteen are known to have been killed and 40 wounded.

Later the heavy winds swept the flames that the bombs had started and destroyed half Waddia.

A British Red Cross unit is starting northward to assist.

Waddia or Waddia, is about 60 miles north of Dessie.—*United Press.*

Geneva Aroused. Geneva, Jan. 16. A report of further bombing of ambulances by Italian planes has aroused general indignation at Geneva, where it is asked what lies behind the Italian action? The whole question of Red Cross violation is almost certain to be discussed by the Council, which may ask Baron Aloisi for an explanation.

It is suggested in some quarters that Signor Mussolini is seeking an excuse for a demonstrative exit from the League.—*Reuter.*

TROOP MOVEMENTS**LANCASHIRE FUSILIERS FOR SHANGHAI**

The transport Dorsetshire arrived yesterday from Singapore on her way to Shanghai and also bringing with her a few details for Hongkong. She also has on board the Lancashire Fusiliers who are out from Home to relieve the Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers at Shanghai.

The Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers are due to go to Singapore and they will pass through the Colony bound for that port shortly.

There are 22 officers and 850 men of the Lancashire Fusiliers on board and they will be supplemented by minor details from Hongkong bound for Shanghai and Foshan.

On arrival at their destination the Lancashire Fusiliers will disembark and march to their temporary quarters at the Race Club barracks, by Broadway and Nanking Road, soon after the Shanghai and Hongkong Wharf Co.'s Hongkong Wharf.

The Inniskilling will march out of barracks and will proceed by Bubbling Well Road to the Race Course, where there will be a temporary halt, and then up Nanking Road, along the Bund, and down Broadway to Hongkong Wharf, where they will embark in the transport carrier. The Lancashire Fusiliers will move from the Race Course to the camps at present occupied by the Inniskilling.

One hundred and fifty men of The Worcestershire Regiment, now garrisoned in Tientsin, will be arriving in Hongkong on Sunday next in the s.s. Shengking. These men are on their way back to England and will be replaced by 150 men of the regiment who have come out in the transport carrier.

CABINET CRISIS**LAVAL TO MOVE A VOTE OF CONFIDENCE**

Paris, Jan. 16. The Radical Socialists' caucus has precipitated a Cabinet crisis having demanded party members to resign from their Government posts. M. Laval will force a vote of confidence in the Chamber this afternoon on a fictitious issue, in which adherence to party discipline of the Radical Socialists would result in a fall of the Cabinet.

The crisis comes shortly before the League Council meeting, and while Europe is very anxious regarding French policy, since she is the leading gold nation.—*United Press.*

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CHINA'S CURRENCY

TO FOLLOW STERLING OR U.S. DOLLAR IN FUTURE?

Shanghai, Jan. 16. The publication *Finance & Commerce*, in its review of the exchange market for the week ended January 11, states: "Since the introduction of managed currency it has been obvious that the Chinese currency could not be stabilised at one and the same time with the three foreign currencies which are fluctuating between themselves. This was a recognised fact, but the matter was of scarcely more than academic interest while values remained comparatively stable and the fluctuations in the cross-rates not large."

"So far as practical experience has suggested, China's exchange has been fixed in relation to sterling, but there has been no great certainty. The time is now approaching when a decision must be made for, if the American dollar continues to weaken, the Government authorities will be faced with the necessity either of increasing the buying rate for American dollars or lowering the selling rate of sterling. There are no other practical alternatives."

"Reports relating to the devaluation of the American dollar have been denied and they can be ignored, but the devaluation of the American dollar is not needed to complicate the exchange situation as far as China is concerned."

21 YEARS AGO

Extracts From the "Telegraph" Files

The following extracts are from the *Hongkong Telegraph*, for the week-ended January 23, 1916.

The rate of the dollar on demand was 1s. 9.3/16d.

Amongst the men joining Kitchener's Army and proceeding to the Front was Mr. Reader Harris, well-known Hongkong lawyer.

Mr. A. G. Hewitt, established himself in the Colony as an architect.

At an election for two members of the Sanitary Board, Dr. G. H. Fitz Williams and Mr. P. W. Goldring were successful. Mr. F. B. L. Bowley, previous member who sought re-election, being defeated by three votes.

EINSTEIN IN U.S.

FAMOUS SCIENTIST TO BECOME AMERICAN SUBJECT

Trenton, New Jersey, Jan. 16. Professor Einstein, the famous scientist, who was banished from Germany on account of his Jewish birth, has signed a declaration of his intention to become a citizen of the United States for which he will be eligible in October, 1938.

Professor Einstein is at present at Princeton University.—*Reuter's Special.*

"In any case, it seems unlikely that America would have objected since the American dollar policy has meant the selling of dollars in London and has been regarded as an effective method of preventing any appreciation in the dollar exchange."

The nationalisation of silver is now proceeding so smoothly that there is actually a shortage of notes in some districts and everything points to complete success. The only element now lacking is whole-hearted co-operation on the part of Japan and the general impression is that the majority of Japanese Banks favour following the example of the other foreign banks in handing over silver to the Government. In mobilised in vaults, silver is becoming more of a liability than an asset.—*Reuter.*

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IN BRITAIN**

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Tokyo, Jan. 17.

Newspapers, in editorials, to-day accept the failure of the Naval Conference without bitterness, although they express the opinion that the spirit of disarmament was absent from the London parley.

Jiji Shimbun says it believes that possibly both Great Britain and the United States will engage in building "big ships and big guns and aircraft carriers." It adds that at the time of the Washington Conference the Japanese shipyards were equipped to construct battleships of 60,000 tons and they are still equipped, and could build such monster fighting craft should the occasion arise.

All papers agree that Japan will not initiate a building race, but some, notably the well-informed Tokyo Nichi Nichi, believe some sort of construction rivalry is inevitable. The Nichi Nichi asserts that the powers' delegates at London showed that each nation thinks only about its own affairs.

The Yomiuri Shimbun quotes Vice-Admiral Sankichi Takahashi as saying that Japanese naval tactics have developed to a point where the navy could successfully compete with the combined navies of the United States and Great Britain.

Meanwhile, special financial writers point out that in the event of a building race it follows that Japan would be far better off than before the Washington Conference. They say the industry has expanded and the nation's general wealth has increased, while the United States has suffered from a serious depression, which tends to equalise their building ability. —United Press.

"ALMOST INEVITABLE"

London, Jan. 16.

Following to-day's decision at the Naval Conference to invite the Japanese to continue to attend as observers, it was agreed that the status of the conference would not be changed. The reason for this attitude was explained to Reuters by an eminent member of the British delegation, who said the decision expressed the hope that the conference decisions would be acceptable later to Japan, as much of the usefulness of the delegates' work depended upon the attitude of the Japanese towards it.

He regretted the Japanese departure, he said, particularly as with a little less rigidity on the Japanese side they might have done good work. The British unofficial spokesman declared the Japanese press had rightly emphasised that the country does not intend to embark upon a naval race. "Nor does anybody else," he added. "Nevertheless, the absence of agreements makes a race almost inevitable, and the most dangerous race of all would be in the qualitative field," he asserted.

Great Britain sympathises with the Japanese political difficulties but by leaving the conference and refusing to discuss either quantitative or qualitative limitation of armaments or the plan for an exchange of building programmes, the Japanese had brought the risk of this much-feared naval race rather closer.

ANGLO-U.S. AGREEMENT

Questioned on the likelihood of an Anglo-American building race, the British spokesman declared that Britain and America were at one in the desire to preserve the principle of parity, although there was no binding agreement.

It was inferred from this statement that the United States does not recognise Great Britain's need for larger cruiser strength.

The British spokesman asserted that the British and American delegations do not intend to indulge in bilateral talks on the question of relative quantitative strengths. It is recalled that these two countries had long bilateral talks before the conference was called and it is assumed that a satisfactory, tacit understanding had been reached. —(Continued on Page 7.)

ITALY ANSWERS CHARGE

ONLY BOMBED TWO TROOP CAMPS

AMBULANCE'S OWN FAULT

Rome, Jan. 16.

Without making any direct denial, the Italian authorities have answered the charge that their war planes bombed a British ambulance unit near Dessiye for four hours, inflicting heavy casualties on civilians, with the assertion that they bombed two camps on the day in question.

An authoritative source says that with regard to the alleged bombing of an ambulance near Dessiye, it is stated that Italian planes bombed two camps, one containing two hundred tents and many troops and the other five hundred tents.

If an ambulance was hit it was its own fault, says the Italian statement, for according to the Red Cross convention it should not have been stationed among fighting troops. —Reuters.

PLANE UNDER GUARD

Khartoum, Jan. 16.

The Italian plane which was forced to make a landing at Tokar, in the Sudan, was a large three-engined monoplane which is believed to have lost its way when returning to Asmara after bombing expedition.

The District Commissioner, motivated to the scene of the landing and took the four occupants of the plane to Tokar. The aeroplane is now under guard. —Reuters Bulletin Service.

GOING ON LEAVE

Poiping, Jan. 17.

It is learned on good authority that Sir Alexander Cadogan, the British Ambassador to China, is going to England for six months' leave in April. —Reuters.



Lincoln Ellsworth, the American aviator who has been missing for many weeks, is believed to have been sighted in the Antarctic. He is seen here on left studying map for his Antarctic flight.

MISSING AIRMEN FOUND?

HOPE REVIVED FOR ELLSWORTH

TRIED TO HOP OVER POLE

London, Jan. 16.

A dramatic radio message received in London indicates that the Discovery II has reached the Bay of Whales and sighted a man from an aeroplane, as well as a machine at Little America.

It is hoped that the man sighted from the plane, which is one of those carried by the Discovery II, for reconnaissance purposes, may be Lincoln Ellsworth, the American aviator, who has been missing for many weeks.

Part of the message cannot be decoded, and a repetition is keenly awaited.

Ellsworth's base ship, Wyatt Earp, is apparently about 420 miles from the Bay of Whales.

Ellsworth, with a Canadian pilot, was attempting an exploratory flight over the South Pole when he vanished. Wireless calls were picked up by his base ship, but could not be deciphered. It is presumed that the two flying explorers were forced down some where on the mainland of Little America and that they had made camp there, awaiting a rescue expedition. This has been on its way for the past six weeks, and a big plane has been sent rushing south from New York to participate in the search for the lost aviator. —Reuters.

PLANE IDENTIFIED

Sydney, Jan. 17.

The reconnoitring plane from the Discovery II reports from the Bay of Whales that Ellsworth's plane has been identified, and attempts are now being made to embark the man sighted.

A message to this effect has been received by the Australian Minister of Defence from the Discovery's captain. —Reuters.

ABUSES OF PRIVILEGE

CHARGE AGAINST PERU LEGATION

Yokohama, Jan. 17.

The Customs has imposed a fine of Yen 9,000 on the Curcio Company Ltd., food importers, contending the company used diplomatic privileges of the Peruvian legation to avoid duty payments.

The Customs says that members of the Legation pretended that the large Peruvian imports brought in by this company were for the Legation's use only.

The Peruvian Charge d'Affaires, Senor Jorge Lombke, called before the Protocol Department of the Foreign Office, denied that he was personally involved in the affair, and his statement was accepted. —United Press.

ITALIANS' SMASHING ATTACK

OVERCOME STOUT DEFENCE

ADVANCE OF 43 MILES

(Special to "Telegraph")

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Rome, Jan. 16.

A vivid description of the battle of Gannadoria was given to Reuters' correspondent with the Italian Army to-day and has been cabled here. He states that the battle is practically concluded, with an Italian advance of over 43 miles in four days.

The Italians had to face a determined resistance from Ethiopian machine-gunners, concealed in small semi-circular trenches. But tanks approached the edge of these and poured a murderous fire into the occupants.

The most impressive and heroic scene of the whole engagement was an Ethiopian cavalry charge on advancing Italian skirmishers along the south bank of the river Gannadoria. Tanks were hurried up to

WIFE CALLED TO KIPLING'S SIDE

Writer's Condition Very Critical

London, Jan. 17.

At 2.35 a.m. to-day Mr. Rudyard Kipling's condition was announced as very critical.

Mrs. Kipling, and the daughter of the famous novelist and poet were called to his bedside. —Reuters.

support the infantry, who were mostly Dababs, and although the fire from the tanks depleted the ranks of the attacking horsemen terribly, the black warriors gallantly returned again and again to the assault.

They rode furiously, but vainly against the tanks, which raked them with machine-gun fire. Aircraft bombed the Ethiopians' rear ranks to prevent reinforcements coming up to the battle. The planes also tried to bomb the headquarters of Ras Desta, but whether or not they were successful is not known.

The battle is hailed as a big victory for Italy. —Reuters Special.

OFFICIAL REPORT

Rome, Jan. 16.

It is officially learned that the Italians advanced 43 miles along the entire front in the Dolo sector, the Ethiopians retreating in disorder and the Italians pursuing and inflicting heavy losses. —United Press.

THINKING OF PEACE

Addis Ababa, Jan. 16.

News that the American adviser to the Emperor Haile Selassie, Mr. Colson, has left by air for Dessiye, is interpreted here to mean that the Emperor is seriously studying certain tentative peace proposals which a group of smaller European powers are anxious to put forward.

As the Emperor's departure for the northern front won't be long delayed, this may be the last occasion for some time that he will have the opportunity of personally consulting Mr. Colson. —Reuters.

FRENCH TRADE SLIPPING

ADVERSE BALANCE OF £73,000,000

Paris, Jan. 16.

The foreign trade report for 1935 shows an adverse balance of £73,000,000. Imports of £270,000,000, showed a decrease of nearly £29,000,000 compared with 1934, and exports valued at £200,000,000, decreased nearly £32,000,000. —United Press.



Above is seen the youngest Italian soldier serving at Ethiopia. Photo was taken at Adigrat.

TRAFFIC IN HUMAN BEINGS

"BABY FARM" OR SELLING DEPOT

DISCOVERY IN KOWLOON

"This appears to be a very bad case of dealing in human beings," said Inspector K. W. Andrews, of the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs, when he prosecuted Sin Sze-mul, 43, married woman, and Ng Chan-shi, alias Chan Sam, 63, widow, who appeared before Mr. E. A. Wynne-Jones at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, charged in connection with a transaction concerning the sale of a male child three weeks old, at No. 869 Canton Road, third floor.

First accused admitted having received \$35 from the other woman for the child, and the second accused alleged that the child was given to her and she had given in return a "lucky gift."

Inspector Andrews, in outlining the facts, stated that on the night of January 14, Chinese constable C869, saw second defendant at the Canton wharf with the child in her custody. His suspicions were aroused at such an elderly woman having such a young child, so he detained and questioned her.

The woman later took the police to No. 869 Canton Road, third floor, where first defendant was found. The second defendant alleged that she gave \$35 to first accused for the child. The first defendant was a married woman and her husband was a farmer in the country. The second accused was a widow.

"BABY FARM"

On the premises eleven women and seven children were found. The police had strong suspicions that the premises were a "Baby Farm," or a depot for the selling of children. In the transaction of the child concerned in the case, no sum of money had been drawn up.

The first accused was found to have in her possession almost \$100, including the \$35 which it was alleged she received for the child. According to the first defendant, she had known second defendant for five years, but the latter stated that she had met the first accused for the first time on the previous day.

His Worship pointed out to the defendants that the penalty they were (Continued on Page 7.)

SAKLATVALA PASSES

PARSEE EX-M.P. FOR BATTERSEA

The death has occurred of Mr. Shapurji Saklatvala, the Parsee, who formerly sat as Communist M.P. for North Battersea.

Mr. Saklatvala, who was born in Bombay, the son of a Parsee merchant, studied in England, where he was called to the Bar. He sat for North Battersea from 1922 to 1929, but lost his seat in 1929. For his activities in the General Strike in 1926, he was sent to gaol for two months. Latterly he had not been permitted to visit India, on the ground that he was likely to make inflammatory speeches. —Reuters.

FRANCE WARNS GERMANY

MUST NOT RE-ARM RHINELAND

OR FRANCE WILL TAKE MILITARY MEASURES

Paris, Jan. 16.

A strong warning to Germany to keep her hands off the demilitarised zone in the Rhineland, was given by the French Ambassador at Berlin to Herr von Buelow, the German Secretary of State, in the course of conversations at the Wilhelmstrasse last Monday, it is learned here to-night.

The French Ambassador declared that if Germany attempted to militarise this zone France would be obliged to take military measures of the utmost importance.

He also assured von Buelow that the Franco-British military agreement only concerned the Mediterranean Zone, and that there was no question of any Franco-British military agreement contrary to the Treaty of Locarno.

In reply to the Ambassador's protest, von Buelow promised that the recent German press campaign against demilitarisation of the Rhineland zone should cease, though the promise has hitherto borne no fruit.

French quarters unimpressed that the British Government is equally disturbed by the German attitude with respect to the demilitarised zone. —Reuters.

CABINET IN SESSION

London, Jan. 16.

For the fourth day in succession, Mr. Stanley Baldwin, Prime Minister, held a meeting with Ministers who throughout the progress of the Italian war have been acting as a committee on defence matters. High officials attended the conference. —Reuters Bulletin Service.

HOFFMAN GRANTS RESPITE

HAUPTMANN GIVEN BRIEF REPRIEVE

ONLY MURMURS "THANK YOU"

Trenton, Jan. 16.

There was a tremendous outburst among Bruno Hauptmann's fellow prisoners when news of the condemned man's thirty day respite spread like wild fire to-day from cell to cell. The convicts set up a prolonged din, shouting and hammering on their doors. The prison was a veritable bedlam.

Hauptmann, found guilty of kidnapping and murdering the Lindbergh baby nearly four years ago, smiled when told the news of his temporary reprieve. His face lighted up. But all he said was, "Thank you."

He was to have died to-morrow. —Reuters.

NEW EVIDENCE

Trenton, Jan. 16.

Governor Hoffman of the State of New Jersey has reviewed Bruno Hauptmann for thirty days to permit the examination of purported new evidence.

The Governor's action followed the United States Supreme Court's rejection of the plea for a stay of Execution and the decisions against Hauptmann of the Court of Pardons and of Errors. —United Press.

"THIS WON'T BE CHALLENGED"

Trenton, Jan. 16.

The Governor of New Jersey announced a thirty day respite for Bruno Hauptmann following a conference with the Attorney-General, Mr. Willentz, who led the prosecution of the prisoner.

"We are agreed that this step won't be challenged," said the Governor. "It is my intention to grant only one respite. There will be no further respite."

The Governor cited fourteen replies of condemned men as his precedent and added that he was granting the respite for "diverse reasons known to me."

"WIFE OVERJOYED"

Mrs. Hauptmann was overjoyed at the news. "That's wonderful. I can only say 'thank you,'" she sobbed. "My only wish now is that the truth should come out and that the terrible people who did the kidnapping should be caught."

Mayor La Guardia of New York City, when informed, remarked: (Continued on Page 7.)

SENATORS ADVISE "HANDS OFF"

U.S. SHOULD QUIT FAR EAST

NO FEAR OF WAR WITH JAPAN

(Special to "Telegraph")

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Jersey City, Jan. 16. "I think many Filipinos, by reason of the Japanese and other divergences, would like to have the United States continue as their protector. But I think we have no business in the Philippines; and, never had any. We should stay out of islands always worthless as from military or economic standpoint." This was the declaration made to-day by Senator Wheeler, who has been studying the Philippines situation closely. Senator Reynolds echoed these sentiments.

He said that "talk of a United States-Japan war was 'silly nonsense'."

"The Japanese are pretty cocky, and are not getting any news except what is favourable to Japan, but there is no danger of war. If we cease buying her silk, she can't get steel and cotton. She can't go to war with the United States, and anybody who gives her the ghost of a chance if she did do doesn't know the situation at all."

The Senator said Britain wanted the United States to remain in the Philippines "which outpost prevents Japan going to Singapore."

He said the Japanese attempt to dominate China would prove a costly experiment. He believed Japan had violated "the open door policy" and Chinese independence, but the United States should not attempt to force Japan out of China. "When Japan took Manchuria Mr. Henry Stimson, then Secretary of State, protested. I do not see why we should get embroiled now. Britain has more to worry about in China than we." —United Press.



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HIS two greatest friends are to carry on the work of Sir Charles Kingsford Smith—"Smithy" to the world. "Smithy" is missing. It is almost certain now that he made his last tragic landing somewhere beyond the Bay of Bengal on his flight from England to Australia.

He was going home to create reality out of a dream; to set up a regular line of flying boats to bridge the 12,000 miles of open sea between Australia and New Zealand.

Lady Kingsford Smith waited five years for "Smithy" to keep his oft-repeated promise to give up record breaking. Now the woman who waited is to be the woman who acts.

She has taken his place on the board of his company, the Trans-Tasman Air Development Co., Ltd., formed with a capital of £200,000—and the magnificent memory of a great air pioneer.

One other friend will superintend the flying operations, a man who has vivid memories of the Tasman Sea.

Last year "Smithy" and Captain P. G. Taylor flew a single-engine land airplane, from Australia to California.

Over the Tasman Sea, Taylor climbed out on to the wing of the airplane to feed oil into the faltering engine.

Twice-Weekly Service to N.Z. Lady Kingsford Smith and Captain Taylor plan to run a twice-weekly service to New Zealand in flying boats that carry twenty-eight passengers and a crew of five.

A correspondent spoke to "Smithy" at Croydon just before he started on his last, ill-starred flight. He said: "I'm thirty-eight. Now,



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Air Circus

COBHAM'S FAMOUS FLYING CORPS CHANGES HANDS

C. W. A. Scott, co-winner with "Tom" Campbell-Black of the £10,000 England-to-Melbourne air race prize, has taken over Sir Alan Cobham's famous travelling air circus.

Scott will be chairman of the circus when it resumes operations in the spring.

He will have under his control the entire assets, including aircraft, of National Aviation Display, Ltd.

Sir Alan Cobham toured Great Britain with his circus during the first four years of its working. In that time he took his handful of pilots and machines to more than 2,000 towns and villages.

Scott was formerly a transport pilot in Australia.

MORE SANCTIONS BY LEAGUE OF NATIONS

—Against The Fly

The League of Nations is preparing sanctions against the common fly.

An international commission of experts under the chairmanship of Major E. E. Austen, of the British Museum, is sitting at the London School for Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, concerning measures against the aggressor.

Swats and fly-papers have been the only defence against this enemy for years. Something more scientific is now in store for the unpleasant little fellow.

The experts come from places as far distant as Copenhagen and Singapore.

Denmark and Hungary have produced films illustrating the fly's activities. These films and the two countries' counter-measures will be shown to the conference.

Carrier of Typhoid The fly may seem small fry for an organisation charged with the extermination of war, but typhoid is no joke and it is one of the breaches of the Covenant with

which the fly is charged. How he carries typhoid is one of the questions the experts are discussing.

Dr. Pannapana, a member of the Conference, told the *New Chronicle*:

"This Conference is an interesting example of one of the many activities of the League of Nations."

"In only a few countries where flies are a particular pest have public authorities taken any measures. Experiments under League auspices have been going on since 1931 in Spain, Denmark, Hungary, Germany, France, and Algeria, and the experience gained will be pooled at the present conference."

"I CAN SEE . . . I AM DISAPPOINTED"

—By A Blind Girl

Chippenharn (Wilts), Jan. 1.

AFTER ten operations for cataract, Miss Madge Brewer, aged twenty-five, of New-road, Calne, who was born blind, can now see.

This is what she thinks about things:

People's faces are disappointing—they are all so much alike.

She expected to find every one beautiful—but they are not.

She expected to find flowers beautiful—and she finds that they are.

Miss Brewer, who was educated at a school for the blind, has been undergoing treatment at Bath Eye Infirmary.

Awkward At First

She said: "After about six months I could begin to see dark shapes before my eyes. Gradually they became clearer and, now I can distinguish things quite easily. I am still under treatment at Bath and my sight is growing steadily stronger."

"I felt very awkward at first. Although I can read Braille I had to learn the letters of the alphabet and I am beginning to read ordinary books."

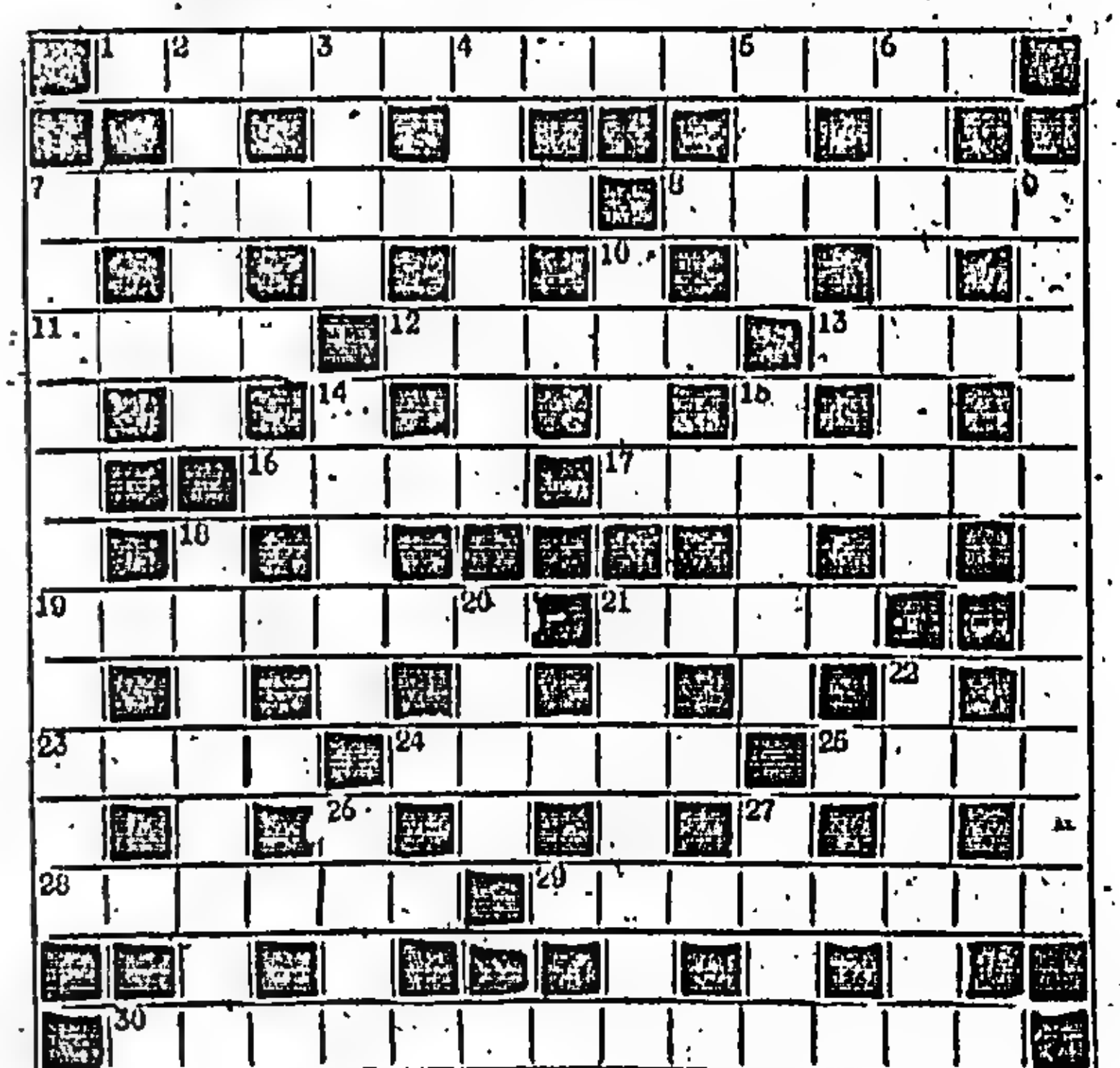
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- When a century was made in one.
- To cook a chop in a queer way.
- Ned not as a hill.
- Plans made by mother with further thought.
- Makes a shirr not so.
- Curing.
- Sule.
- The best part of harvest.
- A dry (anag).
- Behold in it good-bye. One was.
- No speed merchants, certainly, but they sometimes lose their heads and join boards.
- Glaring.
- Gas.

Down

- Display without ostentation.
- It's the tail of little birds.
- Banners.
- Pretty poor in the end.
- The London street formerly occupied by Hebrews (two words).
- Tools that tell what the barber did and does.
- A man who puts a spoke in anyone's wheel.
- Look carefully—for the hidden

Yesterday's Solution.

14 This will make a bird furious.
16 Goes no further having the summit in full view.
18 One of Shakespeare's men of substance.
20 When this is changed nowadays 75 per cent. is not offended.
21 As common in churches as in a boy's pockets.
22 May describe a law or a floor.
23 The part of the chimney that brings to mind what Brierly did.
27 Moulding.

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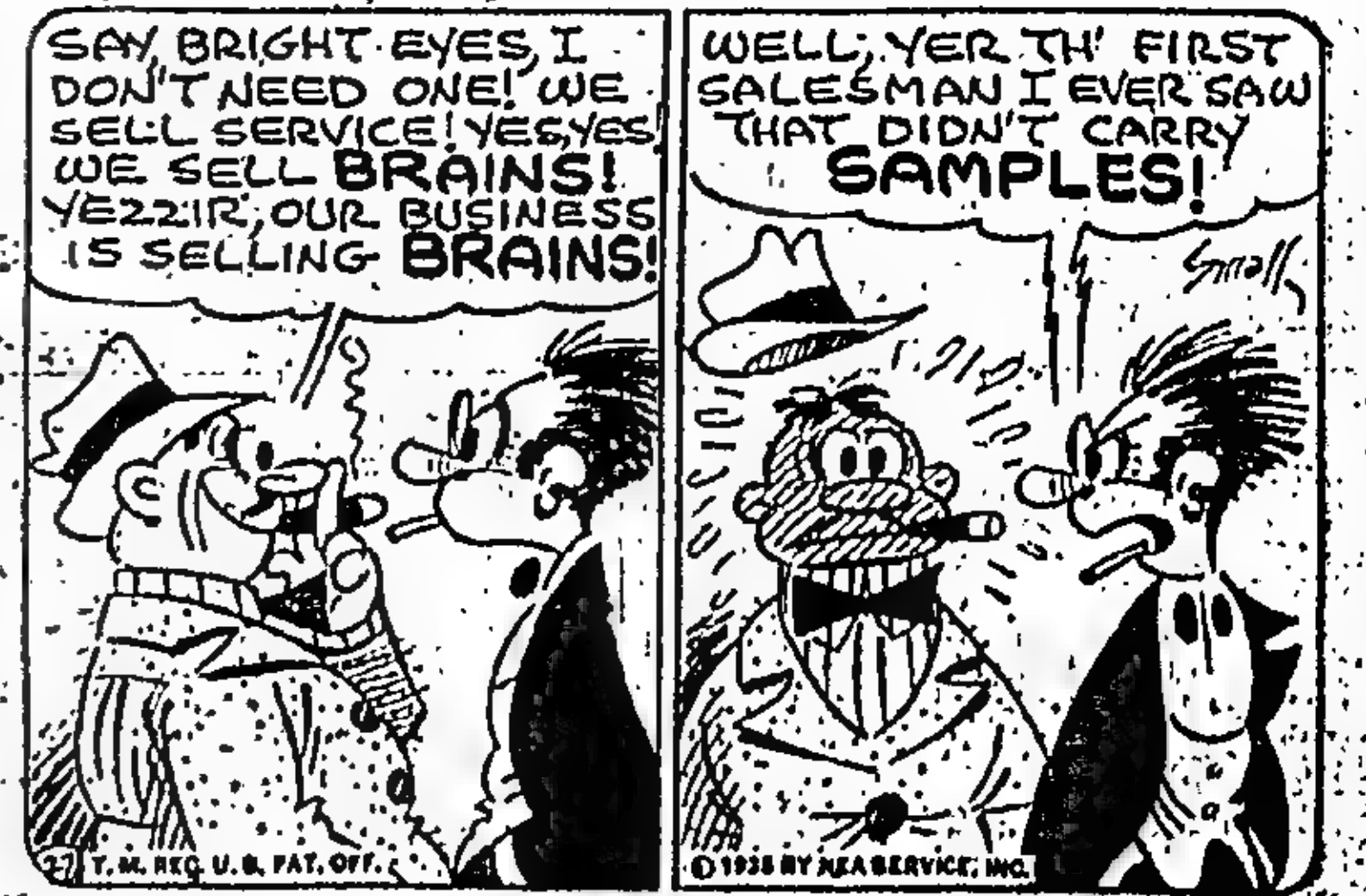
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ASTAIRE AND ROGERS TO PART

THEIR FILMS HAVE TAKEN £1,000,000

The most successful film team—Fred Astaire and Ginger Rogers—is to split.

Both will go on making films. But with different partners.

Two years ago they had never met. He was a famous stage dancer, but he was considered lacking in screen personality. He had starred in only one picture.

She was a rising young actress, but not a star.

Then, in quick succession, they made "Gay Divorcee," "Roberta," and "Top Hat." Each was sensationally successful. Each made more money than the last.

Audiences have already paid more than £1,000,000 to see the Astaire-Rogers films, and they are still making money.

"Top Hat" broke all records in its first week in New York. It took \$250,000 in seven days at the Radio City Music Hall.

Record Profits

It is now in its fourteenth week in the West End of London, and opens at the Alhambra Theatre in Hongkong next week.

No starting team has ever made so much money for a film company in such a short time.

The decision to part, which has been foreseen several times, in Hollywood, is indicated by the announcement that Astaire's partner in his next film will be an American stage dancer, Harriet Hoctor.

The Astaire-Rogers partnership will be kept once more, however, for they have just finished their fourth picture, "Follow the Fleet."

Astaire recently signed a new contract with Radio Pictures by which he will earn \$100,000 in 1936. Miss Rogers' salary was raised from \$275 to \$300 a week.



GINGER ROGERS

She was a rising young actress.

Rumours have gone around Hollywood for a long time that Astaire and Miss Rogers did not get on well together.

These stories were always promptly denied.

Astaire is thirty-five. Two years ago he married Mrs. Phyllis Potter. Her private fortune is estimated at \$5,000,000. She has a son by her former marriage.

A baby is expected to be born to her within the next few weeks.

VILLAGE HATED HIM ONCE—NOT NOW

Hurstbourne Tarrant (Hants), Jan. 1.

SIXTY-EIGHT old men and women in this little Hampshire village took part in a modern version of Dickens' "Christmas Carol" to-day. A heavy snowstorm completed the picture.

In 1920, Mr. Henry Wyke Prosser, a one-time engineering millionaire, came to live in his shooting box, The Windmills, a mile outside the village—turned it into a twenty-roomed house.

But during his lifetime Mr. Prosser was not liked by the village. He fought the parish council in the courts over questions of rights of way over his 2,000 acre estate.

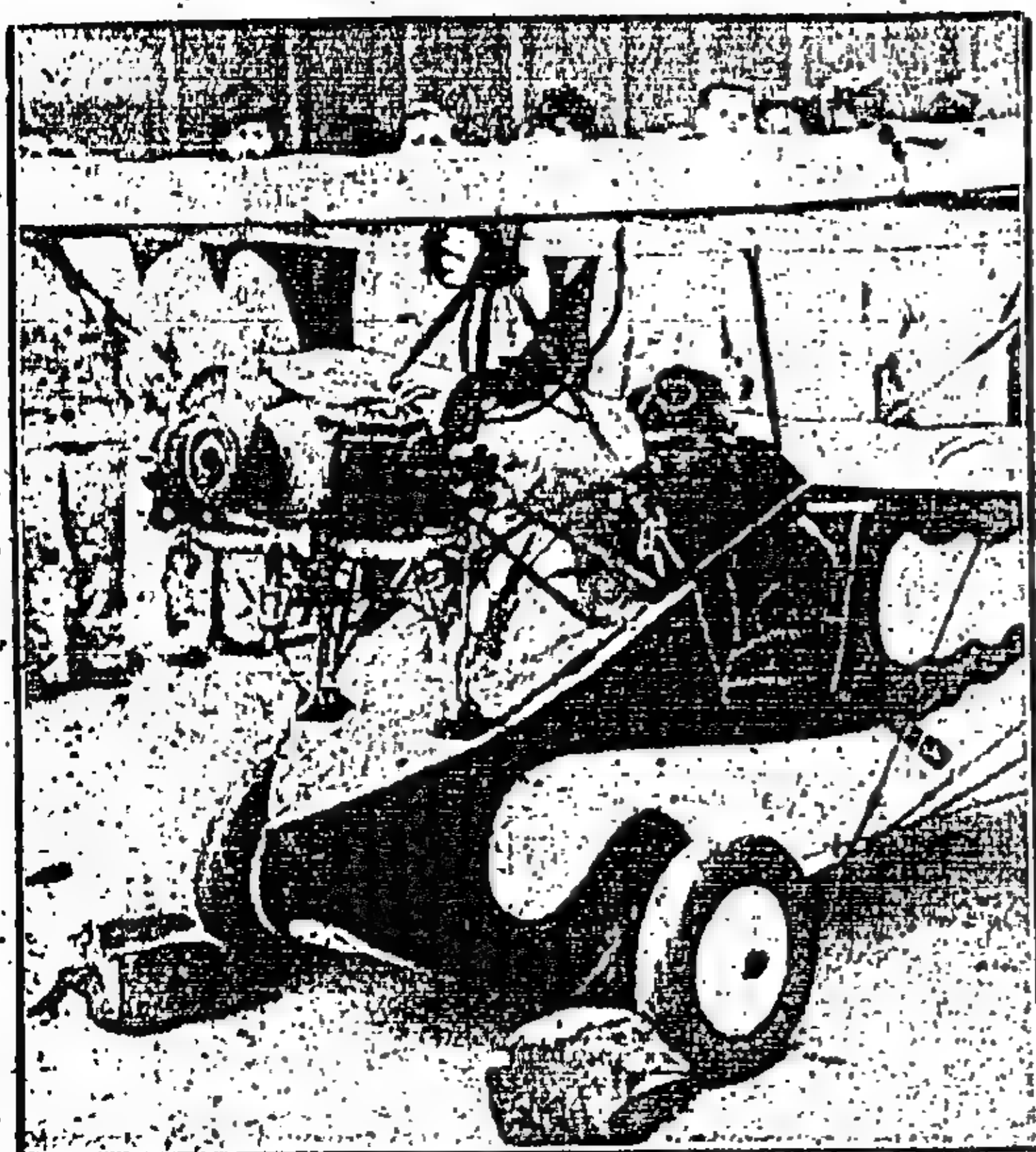
A year last November he died, aged seventy-eight.

But Mr. Prosser wanted to be remembered by the village which hated him. He left a field for a recreation ground and £2,000 to provide every working man and woman over sixty of ten years' residence in the parish with an annual Christmas present.

The first share-out took place to-day. All day, the vicar, the Rev. H. C. Threlfall, distributed coloured tickets to thirty-six old men and thirty-two old women out of the village's 650 inhabitants.

The tickets represented credit with local tradesmen for 51lbs. of

THE POOR MAN'S AEROPLANE



Clyde Pangborn, famous ocean flier, was pictured in New York in the cockpit of the "Flying Flea"—a poor man's aeroplane—before he took it off the ground for a test flight around the field. Not everything was satisfactory to the test pilot, but he succeeded in getting it off the ground and flew it at an altitude of 400 feet, and at a speed of approximately 60 miles an hour. The machine, recently received from England, is only 10 feet long, and has a wing spread of 20 feet. It has a 20 horsepower, two-cylinder engine, and the trouble that Pangborn experienced with it in the test was caused by the facts that it lacks the ailerons and elevators of larger planes. It can be made to sell for between U.S. \$300 and \$350.

£50,000 ESTATE OF THELMA TODD

ONE DOLLAR TO EX-HUSBAND

Hollywood, Dec. 28.

THELMA TODD'S lawyer, Ronald Dutton, revealed at the inquest on the film star to-day that her estate was estimated at \$50,000 dollars (\$50,000).

To her former husband, Pasquale DeCecco, from whom she was divorced last March, she left one dollar. Her estate was bequeathed to her mother.

While Miss Todd was at Ida Lupino's party at a fashionable Hollywood restaurant on Saturday night, Miss Todd found that she was locked out and rather than awaken the chauffeur, she had walked up the hill to the garage, started the engine of the car to keep warm and was overcome by fumes.

Conflict of Evidence

Miss Todd's beautifully-gowned body was found on Monday at the wheel of her car in a garage at her roadside cafe. She had apparently died from carbon monoxide poisoning.

Conflicting evidence was given on the question whether she had gone to the garage after being locked out of her apartment.

Her partner at the cafe, Ronald West, told the coroner that he

boiled the door on Sunday morning and went to bed after 2 a.m.

Maid's Denial

His theory was that having dismissed the chauffeur who drove her home from Ida Lupino's party at a Hollywood restaurant on Saturday night, Miss Todd found that she was locked out and rather than awaken the chauffeur, she had walked up the hill to the garage, started the engine of the car to keep warm and was overcome by fumes.

Miss Todd's negro maid, May Whitehead, gave evidence, however, which contradicted this suggestion. She said that she handed Miss Todd a key to the side entrance before she left for the party.

The maid added that she put the key in Miss Todd's purse—"the same white purse found in the garage."

Threat was a joke

Ronald West's evidence was followed closely by the crowded court, which contained many film stars.

He had been quoted by the police as saying that he warned Miss Todd that he would not let her into the house if she returned later than 2 a.m. But to-day he explained to the coroner that he had made the threat jokingly. Shortly before 2 a.m. on Sunday he received a telephone call that Miss Todd was about to leave the party.

He went for a walk with the dog. On his return he locked the cafe door, bolted it and went to bed and to sleep.

At 3.30 he was awakened by the dog whining. He heard water running in the building and assumed that Miss Todd was home.

He added that Miss Todd was in fine health, except for fainting spells. On a previous occasion, when locked out, she had smashed a pane of glass to rouse him and let her in.

NEW ZEALAND LOSES ITS MOST FAMOUS DOG IN BOAR FIGHT

One of the most famous dogs in New Zealand, a mastiff named Tiger, was recently killed in a fight with an "Old Man" Boar, which had hitherto defied all hunting parties.

Tiger had good claim to being one of the finest pig-dogs in the country for it is estimated that in the last eight years he had helped to kill more than two thousand wild pigs. Twice he had saved his master's life when the latter was in danger of being savaged. High prices have been refused for him. Included in his other accomplishments Tiger was a first-rate cattle dog, gun-dog and retriever, while he would dive from a height and even swim under water.

"PRIVATE LIFE OF HENRY THE EIGHT"

"UNWARRANTED AND BLATANT PIRACY" ALLEGATION

One of the most sensational charges of plagiarism recorded in American legal history, involving hundreds of thousands of pounds, has been filed at the Brooklyn Court, New York.

Francis Hackett, author of the famous biography of Henry VIII, has entered an action against Alexander Korda, London Film Productions and United Artists, for damages in respect of what he claims to be their "unwarranted and blatant piracy" in the film "The Private Life of Henry VIII," of character parts, episodes and incidents abstracted from his book.

He is represented in this action by Miss Fanny Holtzmann, the American lawyer who won a verdict for Princess Yousouppoff, niece of the late Tsar, in the Rasputin libel case brought in London against Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer.

The case is brought under the copyright laws of the United States, under which a successful complainant is entitled to collect the entire profits realized by the defendant as the result of using the plaintiff's original text. The profits in this instance are estimated at very large sums.

With his complaint, Mr. Hackett filed a copy of his book. He demands that the defendants likewise file a copy of their film so that the court may examine both.

An answer to the charge is asked within 20 days, and the demand is made that an immediate injunction be issued prohibiting any further showing of the film, pending a settlement of the present litigation.

Mr. Hackett demands payment of all profits derived from presentations of the film, and asks that the court order the defendants to produce their books and accounts recording the profits that have accrued.

Mr. Hackett claims that the picture is "willful and deliberate piracy" of his book. He asserts that:

"The defendants copied and used the characteristics of Henry VIII, and other persons mentioned in his book, whose characters are portrayed in the film, in that episode, incidents and, in general, the atmosphere created by the complainant were incorporated in the picture."

"The complainant's new and original conception of the personal habits and method of living of Henry VIII, and other principal characters, built up and developed by the complainant in his book, and the dialogue and incidents therein, copied and published as the result of several years of arduous research and study, were appropriated and used in the production of the picture without recourse to the sources from which the complainant obtained his original material."

Interviewed at his New York hotel, Mr. Hackett said: "Over 1,000,000 Americans have read my book, and many more millions have seen Mr. Korda's presentation of the same subject."

"I had been living in the United States for many years until the necessity for accurate historical research took me to England. In Europe, for several years prior to the publication of my book, I gathered material by extensive research, not only in England, but also in Paris and Italy."

"After my book was published and had reached a best-seller, my agent went to Hollywood, where

Korda's Reply

"Not one situation or episode of Mr. Hackett's has been used in the picture," Mr. Alexander Korda said.

"Froude could sue us with just as much justification. Our film was based not on Mr. Hackett's life of Henry VIII, but on Henry VIII's life as lived by himself. With embellishments, of course, for we set out to present the story not as a contribution to history, but simply as entertainment and good fun."

"If this claim were legitimate, why is the action brought in America and not here? And why wait three years? The whole thing is simply ridiculous."

BRITAIN GUARDS GATE TO INDIA

Aircraft And Tanks Unloaded Under Clare Of Arc-Lights

The following message has been received by air mail from Reuters' special correspondent in the Suez Canal Zone:

ANXIETY about future events in Egypt is unallayed by the daily reports of peace talks in Europe.

All night long, under the glare of arc-lights, British soldiers are unloading war material on the quays at Alexandria, key point on the route to India. Many steamers from England are loaded with airplanes, guns, lorries, ambulances and tanks, and thousands of rolls of barbed-wire.

In the desert at Sidi Bichr, on the outskirts of Alexandria, six miles of barbed-wire entanglements enclose a canvas military township, complete with macadamised roads, cinemas and cafes.

Five thousand tents are on their way from England, and there is talk of more troops arriving shortly.

Lines of warships exercising and practising gunnery daily on the horizon are no longer a novelty. Residents have become accustomed to the crashing of anti-aircraft guns on the sea front.

Wooden barracks and offices are springing up at strategic points of the town. Visitors arriving at Alexandria by airplane from Cairo obtain their first glimpse of Britain's defences in Egypt as they approach the gate into Alexandria.

Full of Warships

Here a small village of black huts, barracks, trenches, dugouts, and guns, surrounded by a wall of barbed wire, has sprung up almost overnight.

Warships at anchor in the harbour form a solid background of



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AMERICA'S NEW WONDER BRIDGE

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face required six hours, owing to the immense pressure of water at the deep level. The greatest care had to be exercised to prevent him from becoming a victim to the dreaded "bends," an excruciatingly painful muscular pressure areas. Financing of the project was arranged by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, which set apart a sum of \$12,000,000 as a first loan. Toll charges when the bridge is in operation are expected to pay for upkeep, maintenance, and amortization.

When completed the bridge will accommodate six motor-cars abreast on its upper deck, with three lanes for heavy traffic below and two inter-urban electric tramways. Its capacity will be 360,000 motor-vehicles each 24 hours.

Ferries at present carry 50,000 passengers daily across the bay. Estimates carefully made place the traffic for 1937, the first complete years in which the bridge will come into operation, at 8,000,000 lorries and similar vehicles and 16,000,000 passenger motor-cars. By 1950 the engineers believe this figure will be increased to a total of 50,000,000 vehicles of all kinds using the bridge every year.

The completed cost of the great bridge by San Francisco's Golden Gate will be approximately \$16,000,000.

After five years' work it is expected, should no new obstacle intervene, to be ready to receive its first burden of wheeled traffic some time next year.

Important Match For I.R.C.

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must have seemed a reasonably safe declaration, considering the bowling at their disposal. But the Civil Service batsmen had a day out. Perry, who so far has not had much luck this year, got off to a wretched start in the last over but one of the day. It was a great performance and very encouraging for their new skipper, B.G.K. Hawkins. D. McLellan made a welcome reappearance in the side.

JUNIOR LEAGUE GAMES

As I had expected, Craigongower second were too good for the Recreation Club. The former, at home, beat the latter by twelve runs in a very hot scoring game. The Police won. There is no doubt to my mind that cricket in the Colony has now got well under way. There is always rather a dead reaction for a month or so after an Inter-club match played locally but the New Year sees things getting going, and of course the University come into the picture with their League Programme.

OTHER GAMES

The only non-League match in the Junior Division was between Police and I.R.C. The former, at home, beat the latter by twelve runs in a very hot scoring game. The Police won. There is no doubt to my mind that cricket in the Colony has now got well under way. There is always rather a dead reaction for a month or so after an Inter-club match played locally but the New Year sees things getting going, and of course the University come into the picture with their League Programme.

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It will prove of considerable assistance to the Secretaries. Lists of guests are sent as soon as possible to their offices, Exchange Building.

LINSTEAD & DAVIS,
Secretaries and Treasurers

SHARE PRICES

The following is the list of local share quotations issued this morning.

Banks.

H.K. Banks, \$1.615 b.
H. K. Banks (Lon. Reg.), \$1.09 n.
Chartered Bank, \$14 n.
Mercantile Bank, A. and B., \$29 1/2 n.
Mercantile Bank C., \$13 1/4 n.
East Asia Bank, \$76 n.

Insurance.

Canton Ins., \$270 n.
Union Ins., \$570 b. and sa.
China Underwriters, \$1.10 n.
China Fire, \$480 n.
H.K. Fire Ins., \$260 n.
Internat'l Assce., Sh. \$3 1/4 n.

Shipping.

Douglas, \$36 n.
H.K. Steamboats, \$5 1/2 b.
Indo-China (Pref.), \$30 n.
Indo-China (Def.), \$20 n.
Shell (Bearer), 90/- n.
Union Waterboats, \$14 b.

Mining.

Antamoks, \$1.55 n.
Balatons, \$17 1/2 n.
Bazulo Gold, 22 cts. n.
Benguet Consolidated, \$17 b.
Benguet Exp., 11 cts. n.
Big Wedge, 12 cts. n.
Gold Creek, 30 cts. n.
Gold River, 7 cts. n.
Ipo Mining, 90 cts. n.
Ithons, 36 1/2 cts. n.
Salacot, 15 cts. n.
Kallian, 12 1/2 cts. n.
Langkats (Single), \$11 n.
Shah Explorations, Sh. \$4 1/4 n.
Shah Loans, Sh. \$4 n.
Rauhs, \$10.85 b.
Venz: Goldfield \$3 b.

Docks etc.

H.K. Wharves (old), \$103 b.
H.K. Wharves (new), \$101 n.
H.K. & W. Docks \$9 n.
Providents (old), \$1.90 b.
Providents (new), 15 cts. n.
Hongkew (old), Sh. \$237 1/4 n.
New Engineering, Sh. \$4 n.
Shanghai Docks, Sh. \$80 n.

Cotton Mills.

Ewo Cotton's Sh. \$8 1/2 n.
Shah Cottons (old), Sh. \$75 n.
Shah Cottons (new), Sh. \$41 n.
Zong Sing, \$12 n.
Wing On Textiles, Sh. \$25 n.

Lands, Hotels, etc.

H. and S. Hotels, \$5.35 n.
H.K. Lands, \$35 1/4 n.
H.K. Lands, 4% Deben.
— \$100 n.
Shah Lands, Sh. \$18 n.
Metropolitan Lands, Sh. \$10 n.
Humphries, \$10.05 n.
H.K. Realities, \$5.60 b.
Chinese Estates, \$84 n.
China Realities, Sh. \$4 n.
China Debentures Sh. \$35 n.



Genevieve Tobin, who appears in "Here's to Romance," co-starring with Nino Martini, re-named, opera star. The film comes to the King's and Alhambra Theatres on Sunday.

EXCHANGE RATES

	Jan. 14	Jan. 16
Paris	74.61/04	74.61/04
Geneva	15.20	15.20
Berlin	12.20	12.20
Milan	61 1/2	61 1/2
Athens	520	520
Shanghai	112 1/2/16	112 1/2/16
New York	4.96 1/2	4.96 1/2
Amsterdam	26 1/4	26 1/4
Prague	119 1/2	119 1/2
Bucharest	608	608
Madrid	36.11/04	36.11/04
Lisbon	110 1/4	110 1/4
Hongkong	1/3 1/2	1/3 1/2
Brussels	20.31	20.31
Monte Video	39 1/2	39 1/2
Delgrade	217	217
Montreal	4.97	4.96 1/2
Yokohama	1/21/10	1/21/10
Rio	4 1/2	4 1/2
Oso	20.1/16	19 1/2
Silver (Spot)	106 1/16	106
Silver (Forward)	106 1/16	106
War Loan	106 1/16	106

—British Wireless.

Public Utilities.

H.K. Tramways, \$14 b.
Peak Trams, (old), \$5 b.
Peak Trams, (new), \$2 1/2 n.
Star Ferris, \$9 1/2 b.
Yau-mat Ferris, \$18 1/2 b.
China Lights, \$10.90 b.
China Lights (New), \$7.70 b.
H.K. Electric, \$7 1/2 b.
Macao Electric, \$20 n.
Sandakan Lights, \$4 1/2 b.
Telephone (old), \$25.35 b.
Telephone (new), \$10.15 b.
China Buses, Sh. \$11 1/4 n.
Singapore Tractors, 17/- n.
Singapore Pref. 26/- n.

Industrials.

Malabon Sugars, \$3.40 n.
Cald: Macg. (old), Sh. \$19 1/4 n.
Cald: Macg. (Pref.), Sh. \$15 n.
Canton Ice, \$1.45 n.
Cement, \$9.15 b.
H.K. Ropes, \$5.35 b.

Stores, &c.

Dairy Farm, \$21 1/2 b.
Watson, \$4 1/2 b.
Lane Crawfords, 60 1/2 n.
Mackintosh, \$5 n.
Sinceres, \$2.30 n.
Wm. Powells, 70 cts. n.
Wing On (H.K.), \$50 b.

Miscellaneous.

H.K. Entertainments, \$4 sa.
S. C. Enterprise \$1.35 n.
Macao "Greyhounds," \$2 n.
Constructions (old), \$1.65 n.
Constructions (new), 60 cts. n.
Vibro Piling, \$24 n.
Ch. Govt. 5% 1925 G. \$ Bond: 94 1/2 n.
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan 5% prm. b.
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% Loan ex. int. par. n.
Wallace Harpers \$4.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

LATEST SHARE QUOTATIONS

The following quotations on the London Stock Exchange have been received by Messrs. Swan, Culbertson and Fritz in conjunction with Reuters, British Government Securities, Jan. 16, Jan. 16.

War Loan 3 1/2% 108 1/2 108 1/2

Chinese Bonds

4 1/2% Bonds 1899 102 1/2 102 1/2

(Eng. Ins.) 102 1/2 102 1/2

4 1/2% Loan 1908 97 1/2 97 1/2

5% Loan 1912 77 1/2 77 1/2

5% Reorg. Loan 91 1/2 91 1/2

1913 (Ldn. Iss.) 91 1/2 91 1/2

5% Gold Bonds 125 1/2 125 1/2

5% Shai-Nanking 70 1/2 70 1/2

5% Tient-Pukow 32 1/2 32 1/2

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FANLING GOLF

STARTING TIMES FOR SUNDAY

Old Course

9.20 L. R. Billingham, 12. M. Bryden.

9.24 A. K. Forsyth, R. D. G. Harlow.

9.28 H. J. Armstrong, G. S. Hugh Jones.

9.32 S. H. Bodwell, I. H. Gehr.

9.36 O. T. C. Marton, D. McCallum.

9.40 (Smir. Hole, R. Young.

9.44 T. R. Chassels, A. B. Purves.

9.48 N. E. Young, E. Taylor.

9.52 A. T. Lay, E. Bahrat.

9.56 A. B. Reynolds, R. A. McKenny.

10.00 J. S. Dykes, D. J. Keogh.

10.04 R. L. S. Webb, F. M. Ellis.

10.08 N. K. Littlejohn, A. Sommerfeldt.

10.12 W. A. Stewart, D. L. Prophet.

10.16 F. C. Blude, A. W. W. W.

10.20 W. J. S. Key, P. Morrison.

10.24 K. K. Rounds, H. H. Peckick.

10.28 W. L. Alexander, C. W. Jeffries.

10.32 Hongkong Bank, Chartered Bank.

10.36 W. E. Hunt, T. Lindars.

10.40 D. D. McClintock, J. A. D. Morrison.

10.44 W. A. Cornhill, H. E. Stone.

10.48 H. N. Williamson, T. R. Rawell.

10.52 D. S. Edward, W. W. C. Shawan.

11.00 Royal Engineers, John D. Hutchison, C. S. W.

11.04 H. L. Moncrieff, Wing Cdr. Bishop.

11.08 J. B. Mackie, Surg. Lt. Cdr. May.

11.12 G. T. May, A. McKellar.

9.24 H. M. Sommers, R. A. Shaw.

9.28 H. J. Armstrong, R. A. Rodgers.

9.32 W. Sharp, A. A. Bremner.

9.36 Lt. Col. Robertson, Lt. Col. Matthews.

9.40 H. and Mrs. Overy.

9.44 K. W. Jones, P. L. Loefer.

MACHINERY STOLEN

COURT WATCHMEN SENTENCED

Placed in charge of a premises in respect of which a distress warrant had been issued by the Supreme Court, Lai Kwong and Wong Fat, two watchmen, were charged with the theft of a quantity of machinery from the premises, with another man, Wong Kan.

The three men were produced before Mr. W. Schofield, at the Central Magistracy this morning, charged with the theft of a quantity of machinery from the ground floor of No. 140 Wanchai Road. The complaint was made by Mr. Millington.

Detective-Sub-Inspector A. E. Carey said the rent collector went to No. 140 Wanchai Road, first floor, which was vacant, and there found the machinery. He made a report to the police and a detective was sent to the premises. The detective noticed that the ground floor of No. 140 was being used as a machine shop. He went there and saw the first defendant, who stated he was the master of the shop. The detective also noticed that some of the machinery on the floor had been partly dismantled, and suspected that the shop was not functioning. He then asked the defendant who he was, and defendant admitted he was a Supreme Court watchman, and also told the police later that the second defendant was in the shop of the premises.

The premises had been taken over by the Supreme Court under a distress warrant on January 9, and the first and second defendants were put in charge of the place. The third defendant was arrested on information supplied by the other two defendants.

HEROIN PILL POSSESSION

WOMAN ONLY A DUPE

Appearing on remand before Mr. W. Schofield, at the Central Magistracy this morning, on a charge of possession of 8,000 heroin pills on a second floor of No. 209 Wanchai Road on January 10, So Woon, single woman, aged 20 years, was fined \$1,000, in default six months' hard labour.

Revenue Officer Gilmitt said he raided the floor about 8 a.m. on January 10. The door was locked, and the inmates refused to open it. He tried to break it down and injured his shoulder. He was then taken to the

VOTE TO SUPPORT M. LAVAL

FOREIGN POLICY QUESTIONED

HERRIOT TO RESIGN?

Paris, Jan. 16. The Chamber, by 315 votes to 251, recorded its confidence in M. Laval, the Premier.

An Independent Socialist spokesman attacked the Premier's foreign policy, declaring that he claimed to be the friend of Britain, Germany, Italy and Russia all at the same time. They wanted a clear definition of the Government's policy before an election and before M. Laval went to Geneva.

M. Laval declared that the Chamber had already approved the Government's policy on foreign affairs.

It is understood that M. Edouard Herriot will definitely resign from the Cabinet on Saturday. M. Laval has stated that if other Radical Socialist Ministers follow suit, he himself will resign, though whatever happens he will go to Geneva on Sunday evening.

SHOW-DOWN LATER

Paris, Jan. 16. M. Laval secured his confidence vote on a priority vote on the Government's flood relief programme, and thus secured time for a decisive show-down when the debate on general policy starts, during which the Radical Socialists intend to present a motion of non-confidence in respect of the Government's foreign and domestic policies.

Earlier in the day, the Radical Socialists decided to oppose M. Laval and withdraw their party members from the Cabinet. However, the decision is not binding on individual members of the party, who are free to support M. Laval if they prefer.

JAPAN EXPECTS NAVAL RACE

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ing on these points was reached then.

REPLY TO JAPAN

London, Jan. 16. When the First Committee of the Naval Conference met this afternoon the Chairman, Lord Hunsell, submitted a letter which he had received from the Japanese delegation stating that it could no longer usefully participate in the work of the Conference. The Committee agreed upon the terms of a reply to the Japanese delegation.

The committee of the conference considered the question of quantitative limitation and adopted unanimously the following propositions:—That an exchange of information is an essential feature of any agreement for limitation of naval armaments, and that a notification of programmes is most desirable. The Committee adjourned until to-morrow afternoon.

The letter which the Chairman of the Naval Conference has addressed to the Japanese delegation refers to the notification of the decision of the Japanese to withdraw from the conference in the discussions and says this decision, all the delegations feel, "is a matter for real regret," adding "despite the difficulties created by this decision, they have decided that the work of the Conference shall proceed." The letter concludes with an enquiry whether the Japanese Government wish to send observers to keep in touch with the work of the Conference.

JAPAN'S SINCERITY

In Naval Conference circles, satisfaction is expressed on the progress which the First Committee was able to make to-day, despite the unfortunate check with which the withdrawal of the Japanese delegation. The fact that the Committee gave unanimous approval to two important propositions regarding exchange of information is thought to be a good augury for its future work.

There is a very general disposition to give full recognition to the difficulties of the Japanese Government, and no-one appears to question the sincerity of the Japanese assurance that they have no intention of embarking on a race in naval armaments. At the same time, on all sides it is emphasized that the dangers of such a race must be very great in the absence of new agreements to take the place of existing treaties, and for that reason the rigidity of the Japanese attitude comes in for friendly criticism, although well-informed commentators point out that it would be premature to assume that whatever the Conference finally achieves in the way of agreement will not secure the sympathetic interest of Japan at a later date.

In the meantime there is a hopeful feeling among those in closest touch with the delegations that the principles having received unanimous approval to-day, when the Committee resumes consideration to-morrow of the three plans already submitted for exchange of information, it will be possible to agree on general instructions for a technical sub-committee which would go into the details with a view to drafting the text of the agreement. When this question has passed to the sub-committee, the First Committee will take up the discussion of questions of qualitative disarmament.

OTHER POWERS

Newspapers stress the great importance of providing against competition in types, as one of the most dangerous forms which a naval race

PROBING AIRLINER DISASTER

INQUEST AWAITS EXPERT PILOT

DELAY IN SEARCH

Alexandria, Jan. 16. The City of Khartoum inquest, which is probing the loss of the big Imperial Airways plane here, adjourned to-day until further notice. It probably will not be resumed until the arrival of Captain Travers, who at present is piloting the airliner on the run between India and Africa.

This man's evidence is considered essential as it may throw light upon the alleged lack of instant action in organizing a search for the delayed ship.

FOOD FOR PETROL

Alexandria, Jan. 16. The opinion that the Imperial Airways liner, City of Khartoum, recently wrecked with heavy loss of life, carried twice as much in the shape of buffet provisions as was necessary, was expressed by Station Superintendent Hough at the resumed inquest to-day.

Superintendent Hough considered that fifty kilos was sufficient, the millions of petrol were taken off the machine at Athens, he said, adding that "with my long experience with Imperial Airways I would definitely remove buffet stock in preference to petrol."

HOFFMAN GRANTS RESPITE

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"Thank God I have nothing to do with the Hauptmann case."

THREE MONTHS

Trenton, Jan. 16. The respite granted by Governor Hauptmann to Bruno Hauptmann really means that the condemned man has at least three months to live, since he will have to be re-sentenced and this will take some time.

STORM OF DISAPPROVAL

Trenton, Jan. 16. Governor Hoffman has not disclosed his motive in granting Bruno Hauptmann a reprieve. However, it is not because new evidence has been discovered or new witnesses have come forward, apparently.

In legal language I granted the reprieve for divers reasons. There is not only doubt in my mind of Hauptmann's guilt but in the minds of thousands of citizens," said the Governor. He added that he had no intention at present of granting further reprieves.

Within the hour, a storm of criticism broke about the Governor's head. Under a black headline announcing the reprieve, the Trenton Evening Times ran a first page editorial headed "Impudent Hoffman." It charged "he has sacrificed all moral and legal right to serve as Governor."

"TOP HAT"

SPECIAL BOOKING FACILITIES

Due to the exclusive Kowloon showings of the latest Astaire-Rogers pictures, "Top Hat," at the Alhambra Theatre and the fact that this sensational attraction will not be screened in any other theatre for some time, arrangements have been made with the Gloucester Hotel whereby Hongkong residents will have the convenience and facility of booking their seats at the hotel reception counter in Gloucester Arcade.

The picture is being released during the Chinese New Year holidays.

might assume, but confidence is expressed in several quarters that an agreement on the main aspects of the question will be reached. It is generally assumed that if and when the Four Power Conference has approved provisional texts of agreements on exchange of information on naval programmes, and on qualitative naval disarmament, other naval Powers would be brought into consultation for a full and free discussion of the results achieved.

Naturally any eventual agreement would have to include a safeguarding clause enabling the signatory States to denounce it if necessitated by the action of any non-participating Power.

FIRST AGREEMENT

London, Jan. 16. The Naval Conference reached its first agreement this afternoon when, without the Japanese delegates, the first committee agreed to the desirability of exchanging advance notification of naval programmes.

The committee drafted a letter to Admiral Osami Nagano, the retiring Japanese spokesman, expressing regret at the decision to leave the conference and inviting them to attend as observers.

The meeting adjourned until to-morrow to appoint a sub-committee to assimilate the British, French and Italian plans and to discuss qualitative naval limitation.

Beds Provided For Jury

STAVISKY VERDICT AWAITED

(Special to "Telegraph")

Paris, Jan. 16. Camp beds have been provided in the Law Courts for the eighteen jurors now considering their verdict in the protracted Stavisky trial. It is expected that the jury will give its decision to-morrow.

After hearing a million words of evidence during the two and half months' trial, the jury have to give their verdict on no fewer than 1,956 questions printed on slips of paper.

Monsieur Stavisky to-day made a final appeal, saying he had nothing to add to her defence, after which the presiding Judge declared that the discussions were ended.

The Judge remains at the disposal of the jury to elucidate any point of procedure.

BIGGER PICTURE SUPPLEMENT

Four Pages From To-morrow

With a view to still further popularising the Saturday issue of the Telegraph, as from to-morrow the Pictorial Supplement will be enlarged to four pages.

Besides the two pages of pictures, there will be a special page devoted to local and certain attractions, and another containing illustrated features.

Wedding groups will figure largely in the local pictures, including those taken at the marriages of Dr. Shu-pui and Miss Ellen Tso, Mr. James Mok and Miss Edith Kent, Mr. Leung King-ping and Miss Nancy Yew, and Mr. Yau Kam-sien and Miss Mary Chan.

Admiral Sir Frederic Dreyer's departure will be illustrated, whilst amongst groups will be one taken at a farewell dinner to Professor Shellshear by bowling alley friends at the Hongkong Club, and another of staff and students of the Diocesan Boys' School on the departure of the Headmaster on leave. Amongst other pictures will be one of the new Chinese Methodist Church.

HAWAIIAN AS STOWAWAY

STOLE PASSAGE ON EMPRESS BOAT

An 18-year-old Hawaiian, Roko Nakama, appeared before Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones at the Kowloon Magistrate's court this morning and was fined a total of \$300, with the alternative of four months' hard labour, for stowing away on the Empress of Canada from Kobe to Hongkong, with entering the port without a valid passport.

Detective-Sergeant Riddell stated that it was while the vessel was on the high seas that the master-at-arms, Mr. Sutherland, found defendant crawling round on board. He asked defendant if he had a ticket, and the youth replied no. He did not have any money to buy a passage, so on arrival of the ship at Hongkong this morning, the youth was handed over to the police. He had no passport or any other papers in his possession.

His Worship: Well, young man, what have you to say for yourself? Defendant: Nothing, sir.

"You can't go taking free trips round the world like that," said His Worship in fining defendant \$50, or, in default, one month's hard labour on the first charge, and \$250 or three months on the second. An expulsion order was made against the defendant to date from the day of his release.

TRAFFIC IN HUMA BEINGS

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unable to was a fine \$1,000 and imprisonment for twelve months.

The prosecuting officer, when asked whether he was satisfied that the first accused was the real mother of the child, stated that he could not be proved. The woman was known to the principal tenant of the floor and she had said that defendant was the mother. If his Worship wished it, enquiries could be made at the Po Leung Kuei, and the woman's husband be sent for to have the child's parentage proved.

"I think we have a duty to the child to establish that," said his Worship. "If the child is not hers, we cannot allow her to have it back."

Sentence of six months' hard labour was passed upon first accused, and second accused was sentenced to 12 months' hard labour.

The Magistrate stated that the child would be left with defendant in goal while enquiries were made regarding its parentage.

"WANTON INSULT" TO DEAD

U.S. SENATE INQUIRY RAISES STORM

SENATOR NYE ATTACKED

Washington, Jan. 16. Breezy scenes in the United States Senate followed the adjournment, for a week, of the Senate Munitions Inquiry. Senator Connally attacked Senator Nye's statement that the late President Woodrow Wilson was guilty of falsification in stating in 1919 that he knew nothing of plans to divide Germany between the victorious Allies before he went to the Versailles Peace Conference.

Senator Connally hotly declared: "Senator Nye has wantonly and flagrantly insulted the memory of President Wilson."

"This inquiry," he referred to the Senate Munitions Investigations, "is an unseemly effort to beamish America's record in the Great War. The Committee of Investigation is prowling around a graveyard and attacking the dead president."

Mr. J. P. Morgan, the head of the great financial and industrial house which bears his name, violently resented the charge made at the inquiry that the United States had been "bought" into the war with British money.

KOWLOON MOTOR MISHAP

EUROPEAN LAD INJURED

In answering to avoid a small girl named Wan Kan, in Waterloo Road, about 7.15 p.m. yesterday, an Austin Seven car, No. 252, driven by Mr. J. Fraser of the P. W. D., overturned. Mr. Fraser's young son was catapulted out of the car and received slight injuries.

The injured boy and the girl, who was also knocked down, were taken to the Kowloon Hospital where they had their injuries treated. The girl had a cut in her back, and the boy had cuts on his knees and some minor abrasions. Mr. Fraser was not injured. The windscreen, the hood and the sides of the car were damaged.

FAIR WEATHER

The anticyclone has attained abnormal intensity. Pressure continues to be highest to the north-west of Shantung. The depression remains to the north-east of Hokkaido. Strong monsoon may be expected over the whole of the China Coast and the north part of the China Sea. Local forecast:—North winds, fresh to strong; fair.

DAY BY DAY NEWS IN BRIEF

THIS IS THE AGE OF MINORITIES; OF GROUPS THAT RULE RATHER THAN REPRESENT.—G. K. Chesterton.

The forthcoming wedding is announced of Mr. John Brinkley, Yale Walker, assistant manager, Hongkong Jockey Club stables, and Miss Gladys Margaret Moore, nurse, of "Endville," Repulse Bay.

Lam Shun, aged 24 years, of Stanley, was admitted to the Government Civil Hospital yesterday suffering from severe injuries caused when he jumped off a tramcar in motion in Queen's Road East. His condition is reported to be critical.

Wong Fuk, driver of bus No. 659, has reported to the police that while driving in Prince Edward Road yesterday, a woman named Yim Yung, jumped off the bus while it was in motion and received injuries. She was admitted to the Kowloon Hospital.

A .45 revolver and three rounds of ammunition, found by small boys while playing marbles at Kowloon City, were confiscated by Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones at the Kowloon Magistrate's court this morning on the application of Inspector Chester-Woods. The revolver and ammunition, it was revealed, were found by the boys at the back of the public latrine at Si Kung Street on January 5.

Summoned before Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones at the Kowloon Magistrate's court this morning for speeding through the controlled area from Jordan Road to Gascoigne Road in Nathan Road at a speed between 28 to 32 m.p.h. at 11.55 a.m. on December 29 last, Mrs. E. M. Jones, of No. 278 Prince Edward Road, the driver of private car No. 2003, was fined \$10. Traffic-Sergeant J. Serim was the complainant.

Cheung Chat, 26, unemployed, appeared before Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones at the Kowloon Magistrate's court this morning charged with (a) possession of a still and apparatus at No. 45 Pitt Street, third floor, without a licence; (b) possession of 40 gallons of fermenting material; and (c) possession of one gallon of distilled Chinese spirits. He pleaded guilty and on the first two charges he was fined \$250 each, or in default three months' hard labour. A fine of \$20, with the alternative of 14 days' was imposed on the last charge. Revenue-Officer W. Ward prosecuted.

RADIO BROADCAST

Pianoforte Recital By Luba Shafstain

RELAYS FROM DAVENTRY

From Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 355 metres (845 kilocycles):
4.7 p.m. Chinese Programme.
7.11 p.m. European Programme.
7.30 p.m. Light Orchestral Selections.
Serenade Maurelque, Op. 10, No. 2 (Elgar). Benedicteus (MacKenzie). Nalla Waltz (Delibes). Mars Et Vela (Gounod). Lahn-Wilam Melodica. The Golden Valse (arr. Walter).
7.30-7.50 p.m. Leslie Hutchinson at the Piano.
1. I feel a song coming on; 2. Whenever I think of you; 3. East of the Sun; 4. My heart is in the night; 5. Love is everywhere; 6. Kiss me goodnight.
7.50-8 p.m. "A Venetian Barcarolle" (arr. Willoughby).
8 p.m. Local Time and Weather Report; Closing Local Stock Quotations.
8.05-8.15 p.m. "Piano" Show Moments prepared by Turner Layton.
8.15-8.20 p.m. A Relay from Daventry.

8.15 p.m. "Night among the Pines" from "Travels with a Donkey" by R. L. Stevenson, read by Patric Curwen.
8.30 p.m. "The B. C. Dance Orchestra," directed by Henry Hall.

9 p.m. Daventry News Bulletin (Copyright by Reuter).
9.20-9.45 p.m. From the Studio. A Programme of Works by Robert Schumann.

1. Aria and Scherzo from Sonata, Op. 11; 2. Three Fantasiae, Op. 10; 3. Big Ben; 4.45-4.55 p.m. Excerpts from Grand Opera.

Orchestral—"Damnation of Faust"—Rakoczy March (Berlioz, Op. 24). "Samson and Delilah"—Bacchanale (Saint-Saens); Aria—"Barber of Seville"—Largo al Factotum (Rossini); Riccardo Stracciari (Baritone).

Bisect, Riccardo Stracciari, A. Appolina, E. Ticozzi and Chorus; Aria—"Madam Butterfly"—One Fine Day (Puccini); Margaret Sheridan (Soprano); Orchestral—"Dance of the Hours"—"La Gioconda" (Ponchielli); Aria—"Miserere"—The Dream (Mascagni); Beniamino Gigli (Tenor); Orchestral—"Mignon"—Overture (Thomas).

10.30-11 p.m. Dance Music.

11 p.m. Close Down.

DIPLOMAT'S LONG JOURNEY

SIR E. TIECHMAN AT RAWALPINDI

New Delhi, Jan. 16. Sir Eric Tiechman, Chinese Secretary of the British Legation in Peking, who recently made the trip from Peking to Kashgar, on a special mission, arrived at Rawalpindi by air to-day.

Sir Eric is proceeding to New Delhi this afternoon.

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NEW ZEALANDERS GIVE GRAND RUGBY DISPLAY

Outplay Hongkong With Exhilarating Movements



The New Zealanders nearly always obtained possession from the line-outs in yesterday's game and this picture gives some idea of the reason why. (Photo: Ming Yuen).

Brilliant Three Quarters

FIVE TRIES CONVERTED BY:
G. R. BUSH

Colony Beaten Coming Out Of Scrums

The New Zealand Universities rugby team swept over Hongkong like a storm yesterday afternoon; a storm that struck quick, devastating blows of undiminished force. His Excellency the Governor and some 2,000 spectators watched its progress.

The tourists may be proud of their first match, played at the Hongkong Football Club grounds against a sound side of Colony players, and which ended with a 29-8 score for the visitors. These young university players, well-matched in pace and physique, combining to form one of the most threatening teams ever to play here, should give the best competition Japan can offer in a stirring match.

Yesterday's game, the first the visitors have played as a team, proved the individual value of the New Zealanders' attack and defence for all to see. Presently, when the team is more closely welded, working more smoothly, and the men are better acquainted, it will be more formidable. It would be interesting to see this fifteen play the same Hongkong team two months from now after the Japanese tour is completed. It could probably almost double its score.

That does not mean that the Hongkong defence was anything to moan over. There were men in Hongkong sweaters who would have done credit to any representative team. The backs were particularly sound: St. Clair Ford, wasted as an attacker on the wing because the ball seldom reached him, McGilchrist, on the other wing, and

Robertson took him in a hard head-on tackle. Robertson tore his ear and retired for repairs and Sowman dropped back from the pack.

There was steady play by both sides before Jones completed a backs' run, including McAuliffe and Fookes, and scored close in. Bush converted. Gillies, the N.Z. skipper, showed tremendous speed on the several occasions he got away at this period, and it was after a clever run that he scored off Robertson's fumble of Fookes' short punt. Bush again added points.

Gillies again opened the way for Parsons to score and Bush converted.

KNOCKED UNCONSCIOUS
Robertson was tackling heavily and with deadly precision. He stopped the flying Gillies in a borie-shaking-dive at a critical moment and started his ear bleeding again.

St. Clair Ford's splendid tackle stopped the mighty Bush when the fullback was running with the three, and spoiled a dangerous drive.

Robertson was knocked unconscious when tackling a fast-moving winger in the early part of the second half and went off for a few minutes. He came back with his head well bandaged.

Meanwhile, a misjudged punt gave McAuliffe an opportunity and he dived over the line on top of the ball. The unflinching Bush again added points.

Hongkong fought back hard, as always, and Butcher took a free kick.

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The teams of the New Zealand Combined Universities, and Hongkong caught by the camera before the start of yesterday's rugby match on the Club ground. Seated on the extreme right is Mr. P. Martin-Smith, manager of the Varsity team. (Photo: Mee Cheung).

Latest News About Hongkong Derby Candidates

NUMBER LESS BUT QUALITY SHOWS BIG IMPROVEMENT

(By "Captain Foster")

The Hongkong Derby was first run in 1873 when Surprise (owned by Lowcock) passed the winning post first; the time of the race is not given in the records of the Hongkong Jockey Club. In the following year, the classic was won by Alone, covering the distance in 3.25.3/5 as against 3.09.3/5 set up last year by Herod, who annexed the coveted Blue Riband for the stable "Hem" owned by Sir Victor Sassoon, Mr. D. E. Sassoon and Mr. H. Priestley. The present record of one and a half miles is 2 minutes 56.3/5 seconds and it was established by Liberty Bay (Mr. Proulx) when he won the St. Andrew's Cup for Mr. L. Dunbar on December 1, 1934, and I wonder when this record will be lowered?

We are having, to-day, not only a better class but bigger animals and these Griffins cost the owners a good sum of money. The main event of the Annual Race Meeting is undoubtedly the 1936 Blue Riband and we have a little over 30 aspirants as against 50 odd last year. The decrease in the number of Derby Griffins is owing to the trade depression. I append below a list of the Griffins.

Owner	Name	Colour
Mr. C. B. Brown	Amberley	Ches.
Chau, Chan & Kwok	Laughing Buddha	Brown (M)
do	Laughing Cavalier	Ches.
do	Laughing Girl	Grey (M)
Mr. L. Dunbar	Boat Bay	Ches. (S)
do	Goodness Bay	Brown (M)
do	Thane Bay	Grey
Mrs. Dunbar	Bear Claw	Bay
Dynasty	King's Lead	Dun
do	King's Sceptre	Ches. (M)
Mr. Eu Tong Sen	Donovan	Ches. (S)
do	Rose-Mary	Ches. (M)
Mr. V. M. Grayburn	Tyne	Bay
Harriman and Bradbury	Royal Consort	Ches. (M)
do	Royal Highness	Ches.
do	Royal Scot	F. B. Grey (M)
Mr. Li Lan Sang	Forest View	Ches. (M)
do	Glorious View	Bay
do	Gorgeous View	Ches. (S)
do	Spandish View	Black
Mr. Li Shin Pang	Magnificent View	Ches. (M)
do	Zenith	Ches.
Mr. Li Tse Fong	Miracle	Ches.
Kong Bros.	Gold Jubilee	Ches.
do	Gay Star	Ches. (M)
do	Old Star	Bay
do	Dawn Star	Grey (M)
do	(not named yet)	Bay
Mr. L. Reidy	Advancing	Grey (M)
Sir Victor Sassoon	Royal Wedding Eve	Grey (M)
do	Honeymoon Eve	Dun
Mr. G. G. N. Tinson	Estray	Ches. (M)
do	Beneath	Grey
Why	Silveramith	Grey

Members, Chau, Chan and Kwok are new owners and it will be observed that their Griffins have been named Laughing Buddha, Laughing Cavalier and Laughing Girl. The last named is about the best of their string and is, in my opinion, a sprinter. Mr. Li Lan Sang tops the list of owners with five Griffins and then comes the stable of Kong Bros., who have four candidates. Mr. G. A. Harriman is racing on joint account with Mr. B. W. Bradbury and they are well represented with three nice mares. All the other old owners have practically the same number of Griffins as last year and there are some well-bred ponies in the batch.

WINNER AMONG THESE FOUR?

Judging by the action from what I had seen during the early mornings, Honeymoon Eve, King's Sceptre, Rosemary and Royal Scot are first class animals and I sincerely trust and hope that I shall not be wrong in saying that the potential Derby winner is among these four mares. It will be recalled that Diana Bay was the first mare to win the Hongkong Derby in 1930 and in Liberty Bay's year, the second pony, Wild Life, and the third, Princess Hall, in the Hongkong Derby were mares.

CHINA PONIES SUB-GRIFFINS

& BEST TRAINING TIMES RETURNED LAST WEEK BY HOPSCOTCH

(By "Captain Foster")

The best training times of China Ponies Sub-Griffins during last week were performed by Hopscotch, Peter Davey, Hellbender, Judea and Wild Cat.

Last Thursday (January 9) Hopscotch showed her ability in galloping the home run in 31 seconds—fourth in 2.18.4/5 and she finished last half-a-mile was 1.04.2/5 and she was not ridden all out. Although Peter Davey cantered the 1 1/4 miles in slow time, he was certainly moving well and is a better pony than Hellbender. In a try-out held last Saturday between Hellbender, Hawthorn and Celebration Time over one and a quarter miles, it may interest students

of form to know that Hellbender passed the winning post first in 3.03.2/5 and was about four lengths ahead of a good breed in the Antipodes. It is with much regret to report that Hercules owned by Mr. Hin Shing Lo pulled up lame during the Hongkong Stakes over 1 1/4 miles at (Continued on Page 9.)

ABLE WARRIOR LAME?

Able Warrior, the Australian sub-griffin which has so impressed in its recent training sprints and has been named as the best of the new description griffins, is reported to be lame. The pony was not on the Happy Valley Course yesterday morning.

BADMINTON

ST. ANDREW'S "B" LOSE

TO THE RECREIO SECOND STRING

In the only men's doubles league badminton match last night, St. Andrew's "B" were beaten by eight games to one and 184 scores to 113. Scores:—

Mr. Weill and A. S. Elias (St. Andrew's) lost to H. A. Barros and A. E. Xavier 14-21; lost to F. Remedios and A. J. Banto 22-24; beat E. Alves and P. Silva 21-13.

C. Angus and S. A. Broadbridge (St. Andrew's) lost to Barros and Xavier 6-21; lost to Remedios and Banto 5-21; lost to Alves and Silva 18-21.

L. Kirby and J. Dawson (St. Andrew's) lost to Barros and Alves 18-21.

LEAGUE TABLE

Games.	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Recreio "A"	7	7	0	0	0	0	14
St. Andrew's "A"	7	1	0	6	0	0	2
Recreio "B"	8	7	1	0	0	0	14
C.R.C.	7	6	2	0	0	0	12
Elliot Hall "A"	4	4	0	0	0	0	8
Firo Brigade	8	4	4	0	0	0	8
St. John's	9	4	5	0	0	0	8
V.R.C.	9	3	0	6	0	0	6
St. Andrew's "B"	7	2	5	0	0	0	4
Taikeo E.C.	6	2	4	0	0	0	4
Elliot Hall "B"	1	1	0	0	0	0	2
S. and S. Home	7	0	7	0	0	0	0
Kowloon Tong	0	0	9	0	0	0	0

Sheffield Wins Cup Replay

COVENTRY TAKE TWO POINTS

London, Jan. 16. The last of the F.A. Cup third round replays was decided today when before their own supporters Sheffield United beat Burnley by two goals to one. The United now visit Preston in the fourth round.

In a third division (southern section) game Clapton Orient entertained Coventry and were beaten by the only goal scored.

In consequence of this result and the defeat of Reading by Queen's Park Rangers on Wednesday, the records of the first four teams in the league table read as follows:

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH).

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Luton	22	14	3	4	42	18	32
Coventry	23	11	5	6	59	25	31
Reading	23	15	—	8	53	38	30
Queen's P.R.	23	13	3	7	50	32	29

SURPRISE FOR TOMMY LOUGHRAN

World Cham. Outpointed By Welshman

London, Jan. 16. Tommy Loughran, the undefeated American holder of the world's cruiser-weight boxing championship received the surprise of his life tonight.

He met Tommy Farr, Welsh cruiser-weight champion in a ten round scrap and was outpointed. The fight was staged at the Albert Hall and Farr received a wonderful ovation when the verdict was announced. Reiter.

SHANGHAI'S PROBABLE TEAM FOR SOCCER INTERPORT

AS EXPECTED: TRIAL ON SUNDAY

Shanghai, Jan. 14.

A final Interport trial soccer match between the probable Shanghai XI and the Inniskillings XI will be played at the Stadium on Sunday next. The Interport match between Shanghai and Hongkong will take place at Canidrome, kick-off at 3 p.m., on Friday 24, and in the event of a draw the match will be re-played the following day at the Stadium.

Last Sunday an Interport trial match between a selected XI and Tung Hwa was played, and the following players have now been chosen as the probable Shanghai XI for next Sunday's trial match:—

G. Bolleson (A.S.F.); J. Shute (B.M.P.); N. Lee (Tung Hwa); C. Remedios (A.S.F.); A. Costa (Lui-tan) (captain); H. P. Madar (S.R.C.); Y. L. Chia (Tung Hwa); A. Collico (Lui-tan); A. Hwa (S.F.C.); A. Bolleson (S.R.C.); D. Sunday, January 26, the visitors will meet a Shanghai Chinese XI at the L. Marcell Stadium, the kick-off being at 3 p.m. and lastly, on Monday, January 27, a combined foreign Interport side, consisting of both Shanghai and Hongkong Interport players, will meet a Korean XI at the Stadium at 3 p.m. The visitors will return to Hongkong in the a.s. Empress to Russia, which will be leaving Shanghai on January 24. In addition two other matches have been arranged. On January 30,



Suen Kam-shun, formerly of Hongkong, selected as reserve for Shanghai in the forthcoming Interport football match.

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NZ. VARSITY PLAYER GETS A DUCKING

FOOKES FALLS INTO THE SEA AT THURSDAY IS.

If you mention Thursday Island to H. H. Fookes the New Zealand Universities rugby three-quarters he will pull a very face, for it was at Thursday Island as the team were on their way to Hongkong that he had an unpleasant experience.

Going off in the launch from the jetty to return to the Kitanu Maru, Fookes, the last man to board the boat found it pulled away before he had made a footing and into the water he went. He was dragged out by willing hands none the worse for his immersion, save that the loss of dignity.

But there were serious possibilities. The waters all around are shark infested.

In the same dead water; Fraser, hard-hitting, on top of the attack at all times, and Hutchison, using his head as well as his weight. These men were among the most dependable on the field.

The ball seldom reached them. When it did come Hongkong's way from scrimmage, the New Zealanders were close after it. Moreover, the three-quarters were lining backing too far and too deep and much of their effort was wasted.

DIFFERENT STORY

"Not so New Zealand. When the ball came flicking clear of the scrum's heels, the three-quarters were instantly in motion. They took the half-back's pass on the run. They came at terrific pace, running close together, joined by the half-backs and the quickly-breaking forwards, especially the wings of the second row of scrum.

But they, too, fumbled frequently—fortunately for Hongkong.

It was fumbling which slowed the game. Maybe it was nervousness. It did not spoil the match, but it made a considerable difference in the play.

A thrilling run would be checked suddenly by a slippery-fingered runner, with no apparent excuse. It was a fumble on Robertson's part, at full-back, which gave the New Zealanders their first score. He misjudged a short punt, the bounce fooled him and he had to touch down. Parsons took the ball over the line from a five-yard scrum. Bush converted.

ROBERTSON HURT

Parsons galloped into another scoring position a few minutes later, after Hongkong's attack had been tumbled and the New Zealand forwards had rushed a dribble back, but

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March	11.25	11.29/29
May	11.04	10.95/06
July	10.65	10.60/60
October	10.17	10.09/09
December (1930)	10.00	10.04/04
Spot	11.85	11.80

New York Rubber		
	Jan. 15.	Jan. 16.
March	14.63	14.54/54
May	14.67	14.68/68
July	14.81	14.83/83
September	14.96	14.99/99
December	15.16	15.18b/20

Chicago Wheat		
	99%	100%/100%
May	88%	88% / 88%
July	87	87% / 87%
September	87	87% / 87%

Chicago Corn		
	60	60/60%
May	60%	60% / 60%
July	60%	60% / 60%
September	60%	60% / 60%

Winnipeg Wheat		
	87%	87% / 87%
May	88	88% / 88%
July	88%	88% / 88%
October	86%	87% / 87%

New York Silk		
	1.00%	1.85% / 85%
March	1.00	1.85 / 85
May	1.80	1.84 / 84%
July		

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

MARKET UPWARD YESTERDAY

New York, Jan. 16.
Swan, Culbertson & Fritz Dow Jones, Summary of yesterday's market. The market to-day was quiet, despite a slightly improved leadership in which American Telephone issues touched a new high level since 1931. The low-priced group of securities attracted major attention. International Telephone and Telegraph issues were very heavily traded, whilst the volume of trading in other issues of this group was good. Communications were strong, while silver and farm shares eased. Oil shares were subjected to profit-taking. The usual leaders were inactive and traders are

holding aloof. The long range, however, continues optimistic. The market for bonds was strong and active, while Curb stocks were irregularly higher.
S. C. & F. New York office cables: Stocks. The market continues to rule irregular. The United Corporation's 1935 earnings total 11 cents per share as compared with 17 cents the previous year. The Atchafalaya, Topeka & Santa Fe Railroad Company has earned 31 cents per share during the 11 months ended November 31st, against 16 cents during the corresponding period of the previous year.
Cotton: Wide discussion is reported on substitute A.A.A. legislation. Some traders doubt a solution to the problem during the present Session of Congress. The function of the Bankhead Act this year is questionable. The market to-day was nervous, with no particular trend in evidence.

Wheat: This market was quiet, with price movements narrow. Traders are awaiting action by Washington and a refund of Processing Taxes.
Rubber: The market appears to be technically sound in spite of a wide advance, which is due to the strength of holders and the small remaining speculative interest. An official estimate of December consumption indicates 42,942 tons. Imports are estimated at 34,658 tons, stocks at 395,438 tons, and rubber afloat at 30,009 tons.

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Dow Jones Averages:		
30 Industrials	145.06	145.02
20 Rails	43.16	43.24
20 Utilities	30.83	31.35
40 Bonds	100.65	100.72
11 Commodity Index	66.40	66.40

Short Biographies

VIGNETTES OF LIFE

By J. NORMAN LYND



"I NEVER SEEM TO GET AHEAD! ... I MAKE FORTY A WEEK AND SOMEHOW OR OTHER, MY EXPENSES ARE ALWAYS FIFTY. IT'S DISCOURAGING!"

"IT'S JUST ONE DON'T AFTER ANOTHER - SEEMS LIKE AS IF."

"THE POLITICIAN WHO WOULD RATHER TALK THAN WORK - HAS A GIFT OF GAB AND A PONTIFICAL MANNER - FOUND SOME PEOPLE WITH LESS BRAIN THAN HE HAD - AND SO WAS ELECTED."

"I GIVE IT ALL TO THE LITTLE WOMAN."

"SURE, I'VE BEEN MARRIED LOTS OF TIMES, BUT JUST WHEN YOU THINK EVERYTHING'S FINE - BLOODY! THEY START HAVING IDEAS OF THEIR OWN!"

"I'VE BEEN A SAILOR, AN ACTOR, AN ENGINEER, A HOBBO, AN AUTHOR, A NIGHT WATCHMAN, A SALESMAN, LECTURER, DOCTOR, COUNSEL, ADVERTISING EXECUTIVE, DOG-CATCHER, EVANGELIST AND CROONER - LOOKS TO ME AS IF THE WORLD OWES ME A LIVING!"

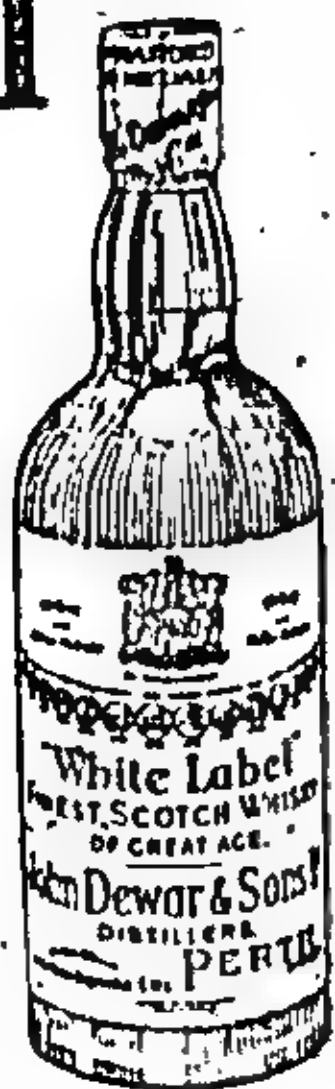
"I STARTED LIFE AS A BAREFOOT BOY, SAID HE - AS WHO DIDN'T? - EXCEPT THE GIRLS - AND THEY DON'T SAY ABOUT IT."

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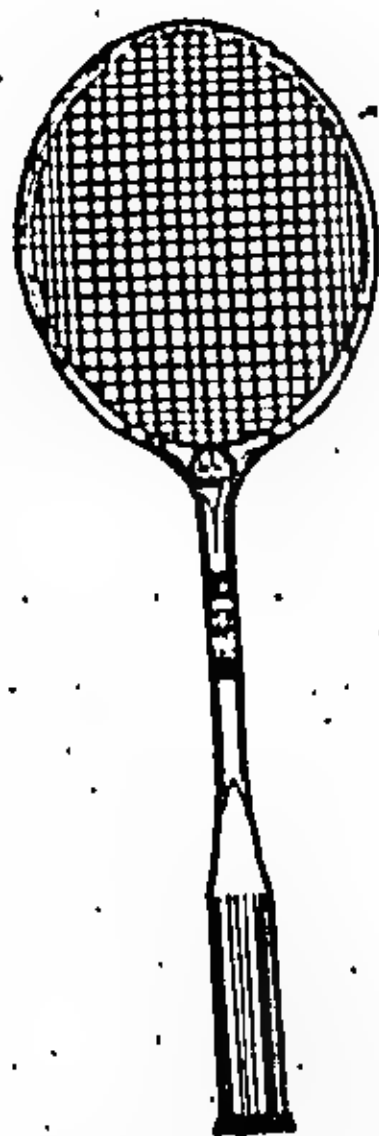
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CIVIL SERVICE
PERSONNEL

Whilst the public generally has long felt that Hongkong has far more European Civil Servants than the size of the Colony and the duties to be discharged warrant, surprise will be felt at the facts revealed in the answers given yesterday to Mr. M. K. Lo's questions regarding the Government personnel. The figures show that the total number of European employees is close on a thousand—975, to be correct—and that in the past twelve years there has been an increase of approximately fifty per cent. At the end of 1923, the European establishment numbered 647, by the end of 1931, some six months after the Retrenchment Commission's report advocating substantial reductions, the number had risen to 923, and now the total must easily be a record in the history of the Colony. Mr. Lo did not seek information in regard to the total emoluments paid to the European staff, but it is to be presumed that a progressive increase can also be shown under this heading. He did, however, secure details of the salaries paid to the staffs of the P.W.D., the Colony's biggest department, and these revealed that the total last year was \$1,725,519, as against \$805,823 in 1923, a very considerable advance, although below the figure for 1931, when over two million dollars were paid out in salaries to the P.W.D. staff. It has been cause for surprise to officials from other Crown Colonies, notably Ceylon and Malaya, when appointed to Hongkong, to discover that this little Colony of ours has such a large staff of European civil servants, and the figures now disclosed must tend to strengthen the oft-heard contention that the European personnel could, without sacrifice of efficiency, be considerably curtailed. It is little short of preposterous that a Colony of the size of Hongkong should commit itself to the financial burden implied by the employment of so many pensionable officers. Without question, there are far too many Europeans engaged on purely routine duties in various departments which could be just as effectively performed by local men. On the question of permitting civil servants to retire after ten years' service, when they are willing to do so, the Government does not consider that this would be economical

AN eminent physician has made a startling pronouncement without much fuss.

To the effect that the seat of the emotions was in a tiny part of the brain known as the diencephalon.

Let me tell you something about the diencephalon. (Pronounce it dy-ense-falon.)

Originally—about eight months before you were born—what is now your nervous system was a tube of nervous tissue, closed at either end.

As you developed the top end of this tube ballooned out into three little bulbs. These bulbs ultimately became your brain. The top bulb became the fore-brain, the middle bulb the mid-brain, and the last bulb the hind-brain. The rest of this tube of nervous tissue became your cord.

Each bulb took on different functions. The hind-brain took over the control of the heart, stomach, and lungs. The main job of the middle bulb was to control sight and hearing.

NOTES OF THE DAY

CROSSROADS

The withdrawal of Japan from the Naval Conference, and the now inevitable termination of the Washington Treaty of naval limitations, opens the way to a thousand conjectures and the road to a hundred different possibilities in political re-alignments. But the thing which stands out most prominently at the moment is the fact that Great Britain and the United States appear to be agreed on general principles. Perhaps, though it is still too early to do more than guess at the outcome, the effect of the present crisis will be to throw the two great English-speaking nations even closer together on the diplomatic front. If a serious naval armaments race is to be avoided it is very necessary that the two Governments forego all rivalry. If the race became a three-cornered affair it would be little short of a disaster; but there seems to be a belief abroad in London that Britain and America have come to some sort of understanding. It is certain that co-operation between these powers is essential to preserve the interests of each in the Far East in the event of threatening encroachment from some third power or combination of powers. While there is no immediate fear of a naval race, there is already an indication that Great Britain, and all the major sea powers, are about to engage in further building. We note that the Daily Telegraph believes that the Empire may be called upon to make grave and far-reaching decisions in the near future; and we can believe it. The time has come when every part of the Empire should bear its fair proportion of the cost of up-keep of Imperial defences. We have pooled our resources in the economic sphere. We must do the same thing in the equally vital matter of an Imperial Navy.

unless the posts can be abolished or at least kept vacant for a considerable period. The point suggests itself, however, that it might well be that either of the conditions mentioned may exist in certain cases, or, at least, that if the posts cannot be abolished or kept vacant for a given period, the occupants could be replaced by non-Europeans. It is to be presumed that the Government will take such points into account when it comes to give the question of amending the retirement regulations the careful consideration which it has promised. On the general issue, the need for a reduction in the Government's administrative expenditure is too apparent to need emphasis. A business run on such prodigal lines, with retirement on pension permitted at the age possible in Government service, would soon find itself in the Bankruptcy Court.

YOUR
DIENCEPHALON

(we've all got one)
is the reason why
you love, hate, fear,
worry . . .

adrenals that are speculated by some to take the major part. These are tiny glands situated over each kidney.

In the emotion of fear it is the thyroid gland—situated in the neck—that bears the brunt. Love is the result of a harmonious interplay between all the endocrine glands.

Scientists have long dreamed of the possibility of changing

human temperament by modifying the action and strength of these glands.

They have spoken of the time when it will be possible to change a man's character by injecting in suitable proportion the active chemical principles of these glands, so that character will be decided by chemical formulae . . .

"They speak of the time when it will be possible to change a man's character by injecting the active chemical principles of glands, so that character will be decided by chemical formulae . . . The speculations of to-day are the deeds of to-morrow."

The top bulb became the important one. At its front corners it developed two hollow buds, which branched like a tree until they became larger than all the rest of the brain put together.

This front end of the fore-brain is called the cortex, and its functions are: Conscious thought and voluntary control of your muscles.

The tiny hind part of the fore-brain became the diencephalon: now looming large as the home of the emotional drive that lies behind thought.

What are the clues that have enabled us to track the emotions to their lair?

A case is cited by Sir Walter Langdon-Brown (just retired Professor of Physic at Cambridge), in a recent lecture at London University, of a girl of ten who had an unusual temperament from birth. She never showed joy, excitement, or fear. When she knew she was dying she said in an indifferent voice, "Well, we can't help it."

When she died a tumour affecting the diencephalon was found, and is considered to be responsible for her complete loss of emotion.

Similar cases of disease in this area of the brain have been found in people who have suffered from outbursts of anger, unreasonable fears, and tears.

How does the diencephalon control the emotions? If we knew that, it might help us to mould human temperament and prevent insanity and breakdown.

The key is now being found in a tiny gland called the pituitary gland, which is closely attached to the under surface

of the diencephalon. So tiny (I have dissected many) that it barely weighs half a grain—a sixpence weighs about three grains; yet it now proves to be the key to the entire problem of the emotions.

Recent research is proving that the pituitary gland is the key gland to an important group of glands which are distributed all over the body, known as endocrine glands (accent on the first and third syllables). It is the "leader of the endocrine orchestra."

But though it leads the orchestra, the diencephalon calls the tune. The diencephalon orders and the pituitary obeys.

As a key gland the pituitary has two actions on the other endocrines: it either stimulates them or inhibits them; it puts on either the loud pedal or the soft pedal.

Different emotions are characterized by the predominance of different endocrine glands. In hate or aggression it is the

balance restorers, so that we have only to take a pill (or an injection, or in stubborn cases even an operation) to get rid of fear, worry; when we can abolish any unpleasant emotion and induce pleasant ones, what then?

It is not possible that the noblest part of our nature is in born of trouble vanquished and the fear conquered?

AMERICA'S NEW WONDER BRIDGE

Eight Mile Track Across the Golden Gate Bay at
San Francisco

A great bridge in Rhodesia which has the third largest single-span in the world was opened last month. This article describes another vast engineering project now nearing completion.

A CROSS eight and a quarter miles of swirling water American engineers are now completing a stupendous bridge which will connect San Francisco with its populous and beautiful suburb of Oakland, on the other side of Golden Gate Bay.

Steel used in its construction cost \$4,000,000 alone, and in quantity represented nearly 7 per cent. of the aggregate steel output of the whole of the United States for the year 1933. One million cubic yards of concrete were used in setting up the immense piers and in building the approaches and anchorages. Thirty million board feet of timber went into the woodwork, and paint consumed so far has exceeded 200,000 gallons.

Impressive as these figures are in conveying an idea of the physical magnitude of the project, they do not adequately represent the engineering ingenuity, the ceaseless and patient labour, the innumerable problems that cropped up incessantly, nor the human values that lie behind these staggering statistics. The bridge had to be built, as it were, "on the run," by which is meant that new difficulties had to be met and solved as they appeared, since none of the engineers on the job knew exactly what conditions would have to be overcome. The most exacting part of the whole immense task was the building of the span from the foot of Rincon Hill to Yerba Buena Island. Midway between these points the main concrete anchorage was put

down some 11,000ft from the shore, and others 1,600lb, each made of cast bronze and capable of throwing that a rocky ridge, a sort of spiny outgrowth of rock from the ocean floor, runs in an irregular line from the San Francisco side to Yerba Buena, and the span as now completed roughly follows that ridge.

Straight through the bedrock and soil of Yerba Buena the engineers drove a tunnel, in itself a major enterprise. The tunnel is 80ft wide, 60 ft high and 540ft long, and contains a two-deck roadway for motor cars, lorries and an inter-urban tramway system.

Eastward from Yerba Buena to the eastern base of the bridge and the foot of Oakland's 37th Street the construction problem was simpler, once the concrete and steel piers had been set in place. In that section of the bridge there is only one 1,400ft cantilever span; and five other spans of 500ft width each.

Next comes the huge concrete mole, built on wood pilings. In order to build this mole it was found necessary first to construct what is believed to be the largest caisson ever made, measuring 97 by 197 feet, and containing a curious interior series of huge cells or dredging wells, 65 in number. As the mud and rock were dredged off the bottom and hauled away in barges, the immense weight of the steel caisson caused it to settle.

Once these foolproof engineering preparations had been completed, the progress of the work here was automatic, and dredging continued until the desired depth in bedrock had been reached, whereupon the void was filled with concrete. On this East Bay mole and at other points along the bridge enormous bronze bells will be placed, two of them weighing 8,000lb apiece

The diver's descent was simple enough, but his return to the surface was a different matter. (Continued on Page 4.)



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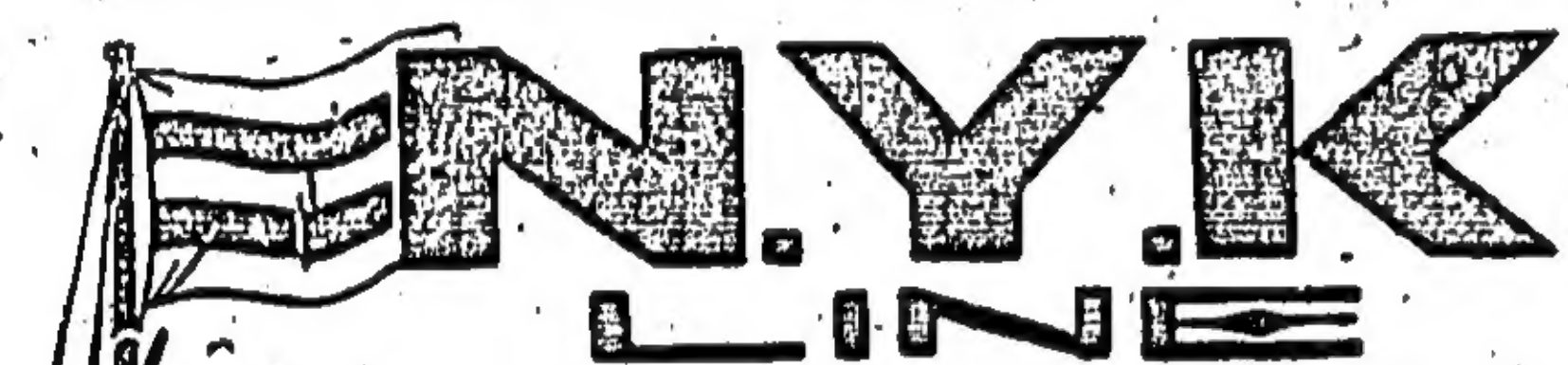
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SERIAL STORY

BARGAIN BRIDIE

by KATHARINE HAVLAND-TAYLOR

CHAPTER XXXII

Elinor wrote Barrett stilted little notes about the weather, her father's condition, and the routine of the household. He read them thin. He could not help it. He carried them in an inner coat pocket and scorned himself for keeping them. He tried to burn them one night in the library fireplace. Instead he burned the hand that salvaged them.

Toward the end of April Barrett saw Lida Stafford for the first time since her daughter had gone south. Lida appeared on a Sunday morning, wearing a dress so simple a man would call it plain, though to a woman it bore the unmistakable stamp of Paris.

"My dear Barrett!" she murmured, sliding into the library. "I'm sorry I took her outstretched hands. He heard her ask, 'Lonely?' and responded heavily, 'Very!'"

"You must dine with me some night, Barrett. I would so like to know you better!"

He murmured vaguely about having to get a great deal of work out of the way. He detested the woman.

Lida settled by the hearth. She stretched a slender foot toward the fender. Her ankles were still quite as good as Elinor's, she saw happily.

"I came in because I have found myself to be in the most amazing position," she began.

"Yes?" he prompted without enthusiasm.

"Overdrawn again! Can you fancy it, Barrett? I simply know nothing of figures! And I can't seem to learn!"

He said nothing.

"I know if Elinor were in town that she'd help me out—for a little time—and this morning I thought, 'But what is more natural than to turn to my Elinor's husband? The man whom she goes adores!'"

He opened his cigarette case, offered her one and lit one for himself after lighting hers.

"Mrs. Stafford," he said slowly after a moment's silence, "the last time Elinor lent you money—which you have not returned to her—I told her she would like it again. You see, therefore, that while I am sorry to refuse you, I cannot help you out."

Lida grew white, her eyes hard. She laughed harshly.

Without heeding the interruption, Barrett went on. "Elinor settled on you and your husband a large fortune, more than I wanted her to settle upon you."

"I quite believe that!" Lida broke in acidly.

"If you can't manage on that you couldn't manage on any amount," Barrett said, still coolly.

"What a delightful lecture!"

CINEMA NEWS

Notes Supplied By The Theatres

Radio fans will have the opportunity to see two of their favourites in action before the camera when 20th Century Fox Film's "Here's to Romance," comes on Sunday to the King's and Alhambra Theatres. A delightful story of an opera star's life and loves, the picture stars Nino Martini with Genevieve Tobin and Anita Louise in the romantic roles. Martini, who holds the Columbia medal for 1933, was one of the first singers to bring classical music to the air, and still remains one of the most popular. In the supporting cast is Maria Gambarelli, famous as a member of Roy's Gang, one of radio's most celebrated aggregations. The romantic plot of "Here's to Romance," serves as a background for some of the most entrancing dancing and song that the screen has been privileged to present. A series of popular opera favourites, as well as two new songs by Con Conrad and Herb Magidson, are sung by Martini. Others in the featured cast are Genevieve Tobin, Anita Louise and Madame Ernestine Schumann-Heink.

"Dr. Socrates"

Paul Muni can be seen this week-end at the Queen's Theatre in his latest starring vehicle, "Dr. Socrates." In what is said to be one of the most dramatic roles of his career, the picture which combines thrilling adventures and a glowing romance, is based on the best selling novel by W. C. Burnett, author of "Little Caesar." The plot centres about Muni, portraying a country doctor, once a great surgeon of the city, who lost his nerve through the death on the operating table of his fiancée. A shattered nervous wreck, ironically dubbed Dr. Socrates, by a blustering small town competing physician, he has little success, until a band of bank robbers and killers terrorize the neighbourhood. Kidnapped and held in the house of a doctor, he is forced to dress the wounds of those shot in battles with the police, he recognizes the place, and is instrumental in leading to their capture by placing the government agents on their trail. As Dr. Socrates plays opposite Muni as a little innocent hitch-hiker, the bandits have captured and with whom Muni falls in love. Barton McLane is the ruthless head of the bandit gang, while others in the cast include Robert Barrat, John Eldridge, Hobart Cavanaugh, Helen Lowell, Mayo Mohr, Henry O'Neill and Grace Strassford. Mary McCall, Jr. wrote the adaptation while William Dieterle directed the picture from the screen play by Robert Lord.

"You'll have to pull up or be very miserable," he stated. "Easy spending is a habit, you know." With a slow, almost insolent gesture she pulled her fur close around her soft, white throat. "I shall not forget," she said, "that I came to you for help and that you refused me!"

"I'm sorry you feel as you do, Mrs. Stafford. Can't you see that when I asked Elinor to refuse you aid I pledged myself to do the same thing?"

"Elinor would not have to know." "I do not lie, Mrs. Stafford."

"I do not lie," she said, "but the implication he had not meant to make with his statement."

She left the house shaking with rage. There was Miss Ella Sexton's house across the street. Miss Ella had been influenced by Barrett's scheming and persuaded not to leave her money as it should have gone. If the money had been left as it should have been there would be no need of approaching Elinor or her husband for loans.

The shoe would be on the other foot. As a thing, there were few chances to even up with Barrett Colvin. Unless he had on the side some little affair! Lida could hurt him that way, extract from him what she wished with the pledge of silence. Who was it who said that he was always running up to Connecticut? Why did he go there? Had she hit upon it—the fact that would level his pride and open his purse?

It cost a great deal, Lida knew, to have anyone "shadowed" but the original cost might prove to be one of her best investments.

She moistened her tinted lips. If she could find her proud and lofty son-in-law in a compromising situation how she would put on the gloves. And someone had said he drove to Connecticut often.

Monday found Lida abroad early. She usually woke about 10 o'clock to bathe and return to bed for her breakfast. After that she would devote over letters, the newspapers or perhaps a sensational novel. Then came the fine art of dressing which always took an hour and often more. As the clock struck one she usually sauntered forth to make some one lunch or to hunt for diversion for the day.

This Monday morning found her up at eight and dressed by nine. In her car a half hour later she ordered Grier to drive to the suburbs. The chauffeur, waiting before this address, smiled the cynical smile that came often to his honest Irish lips. His eyes were on the gilt lettering that appeared on a plate glass window. When like Lida Stafford went to detective agencies for just one reason—to ferret out secrets to use for blackmail or a divorce.

Grier wondered about Mrs. Stafford's errand as he waited in the new

car she had bought the day after her daughter's marriage. "She can't be having that husband of hers shadowed," he mused. "He can't get away from her. He's got a wheel chair!" Grier gave up the riddle. Meanwhile inside Lida had explained her errand. The sleek individual who sat back of the desk had listened to her tale and written Barrett Colvin's name and New York address on a pad. Now he said, "We'll do all that is possible and we'll keep you informed, Mrs. Stafford. If the facts are what you think they are and Mr. Colvin makes a trip to Connecticut soon it won't take us very long to give you the lowdown."

Lida smiled.

"We usually number these cases," the man went on. "For one thing it makes telephone calls easier. Your case will be '6072B.'"

"6072B." "Lida wrote, '6072B' in a small engagement book, murmuring as she did so, "Thank you!"

"Not at all, Mrs. Stafford."

She rose and drew her coat around her. The man's eyes appraised her, running over her slowly from head to foot and back again. Lida was warmed, reassured. She had been alone since Vance Carter's "absurd outbreak." Men had been shy of her. She had once or twice felt the threat of force and wondered what she would do with time—and herself—when she was old. She had no investment that would return peace as the fire burned low. She did not realize her lack of resource. She thought only, "Old age is hideous!"

She left the place smiling over the memory of this strange man's sensuously glittering eyes. Her daughter would have shuddered at their light and struggled to forget it.

The day was clear, unusually warm. "Perhaps," Lida mused, "Barrett will drive up there this afternoon!"

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JAPANESE FISHING

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Tokyo, Jan. 16. The Nichi Nichi states that the Kodo Fishing Company has reached an agreement with the Government of Mexico regarding fishing operations in newly defined areas on the Pacific Coast through co-operation with the Mexican Congressmen Araya who controls the trolling rights in the Gulf of California.

The operations will be centred at Mazatlan, where fishing is already conducted with two Mexican inspectors aboard Japanese ships.

The paper adds that the Kodo Company is arranging to send four motor boats to be placed at the disposal of the Mexican Fishing Industrialists Association.—United Press.

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E/Russia	Feb. 20	Feb. 28	Mar. 1	Mar. 3	Mar. 5	Mar. 19	Mar. 14
E/Japan	Mar. 6	Mar. 8	Mar. 24	Mar. 26	Mar. 28	Mar. 28	Mar. 24
E/Asia	Mar. 20	Mar. 22	Mar. 24	Mar. 26	Mar. 28	Mar. 28	Mar. 24
E/Canada	Apr. 3	Apr. 5	Apr. 21	Apr. 23	Apr. 25	Apr. 17	Apr. 22
E/Russia	Apr. 17	Apr. 19	Apr. 21	Apr. 23	Apr. 25	Apr. 25	May 4
E/Japan	May 1	May 3	May 19	May 21	May 23	May 14	May 19
E/Asia	May 15	May 17	May 19	May 21	May 23	May 23	June 1
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E/Japan	June 26	June 28	July 1	July 3	July 5	July 5	July 19
S/Asia	July 10	July 12	July 14	July 16	July 18	July 18	July 27
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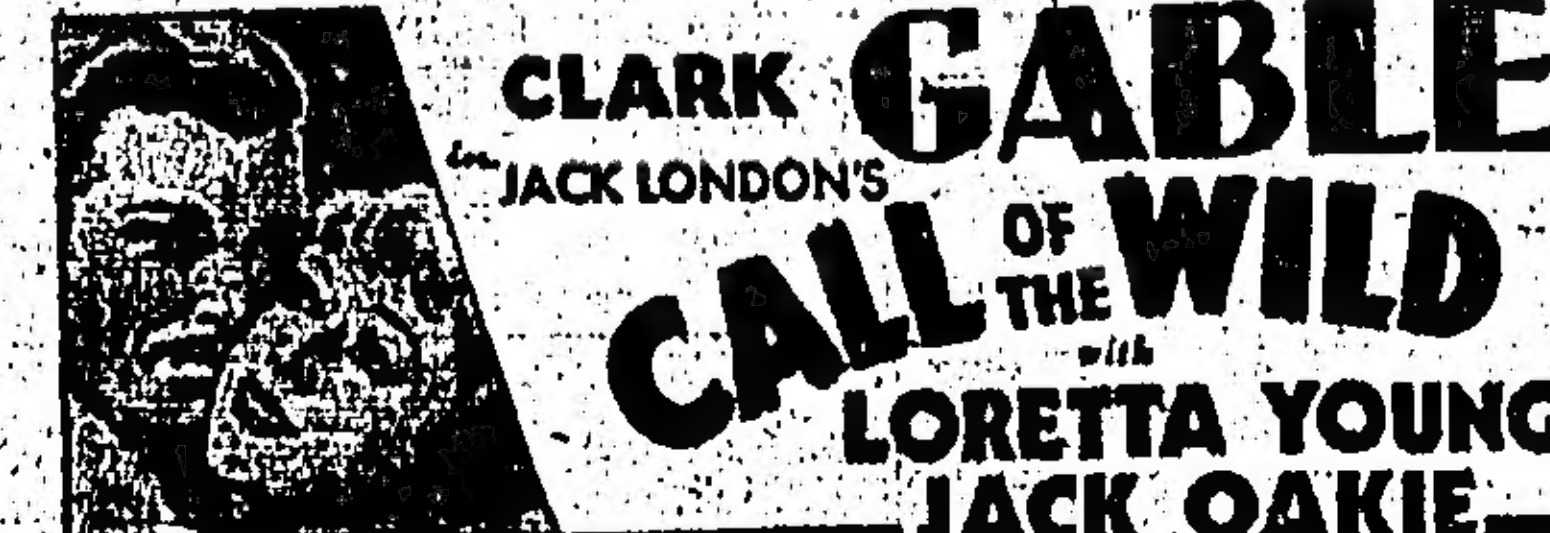


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NANKING'S POLICY

NO DEROGATORY AGREEMENTS

Nanking, Jan. 17.
The Government will not sign any agreement which is derogatory to China's territorial or sovereign rights, nor will it consider signing any secret agreements declared General Chiang Kai-shek in a statement on foreign policy made to educators and students attending a conference of 300 delegates yesterday afternoon.
The Generalissimo declared that he would not evade the responsibility and asked the public to have confidence in the Government and no-doubt its work in dealing with difficult foreign problems.
General Chiang said it became inevitable at times for the Government to make sacrifices in order to preserve the unity of the nation, and added that the Central Government will not shrink from making such sacrifices.—Reuter.

TAMPERING WITH GATE

HAWKER REMOVES SCREWS

While on patrol in Park Road near the junction of Breezy Path on Wednesday night, Sergeant W. Sullivan, effected the arrest of a Chinese who was tampering with the wooden gate of Park Road.

The man, Ho Ngan, 26, unemployed Hawker, appeared before Mr. MacLennan at the Central Police Court this morning and pleaded guilty to charges of attempted theft and the possession of a screw-driver.
Detective Sergeant Cashman stated that at about 10.45 p.m. Sergeant Sullivan saw the defendant interfering with a wooden gate. On being asked what he was doing, the man stated he was obeying a call of nature. This was found to be untrue. On examination, Sergeant Sullivan found that the man was tampering with the gate was hanging on with only one screw on the bottom. The defendant was carrying a paper parcel in his hand. This was opened and found to contain a screw-driver. At the police station three screws similar to the one on the gate were found in the defendant's left upper jacket pocket. There was no criminal record against him.

Fines totalling \$20, with the alternative of four weeks' hard labour, were imposed.
Sergeant Cashman also mentioned that the defendant had escaped when first questioned, but Sergeant Sullivan held on to him.

SNOWS OVER BRITAIN

HEAVIEST FALL IN SOME YEARS

London, Jan. 16.
Snow fell over most of the country to-day and covers practically the whole of Great Britain north of the line from Cardiff to Lincoln. In many parts, frozen snow has made road conditions dangerous.

Electioneering in Ross and Cromarty, in the North of Scotland is being interfered with by snow, and a snow-plough had to be sent yesterday to the rescue of one of the prospective candidates who was cut off from fulfilling his engagements.
Six inches of snow lie in the Welsh passes. The Mersey-side experienced its heaviest fall for years, and snow is several inches thick in Liverpool. North Yorkshire was swept by a severe snowstorm.

Snow also fell in London to-day, but has already thawed.—British Wireless.

EARL BEATTY RETIRES

OVER 50 YEARS IN THE NAVY

London, Jan. 16.
Admiral Lord Beatty has been placed on the retired list on reaching the age of 65 years.—Reuter's Bulletin Service.
Earl Beatty, who entered the Navy in 1884, was one of the youngest men in the British Navy to become an Admiral, and was Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Fleet from 1916 to 1919. He distinguished himself greatly in the Great War, especially in the Battle of the North Sea in 1916. After the war, he received the Order of Merit, was granted an Earldom and given a grant of \$100,000. He was appointed a member of the Privy Council in 1927.

WOMAN FOUND MURDERED

ROBBERY THEORY ADVANCED

A 50-year-old woman named Ng Por was found murdered in her house, an unnumbered hut, at Kun, Ti village, Sheungshui, this morning. The woman lived alone and the discovery was made when she failed to make her usual appearance in the morning.
It is believed that the murder was committed by robbers as the house had the appearance of having been ransacked. Details are at present unavailable, but the police are making enquiries.

QUEEN'S COLLEGE PRIZE-DAY

GOVERNOR PRESENTS AWARDS

HEADMASTER ON EXAMINATIONS

Reference to the antiquated character of Queen's College building was made at the annual prize-giving this morning by the Headmaster, Mr. F. J. Caldecott, who stated that the school was not ideally situated nor was it suited to the requirements of a modern school.

In his reply on the subject, His Excellency the Governor, Sir Andrew Caldecott, who distributed the prizes, said that anybody who was studying the public finance of the Colony seriously would agree with him that the project of new buildings must be relegated for the present to the category of castles in the air.
There was a large and distinguished gathering at being Mr. G. R. Sayer (Director of Education), Sir William Hornell (Vice-Chancellor of the University), Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith, Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga, Professor L. Forster, Dr. R. H. Kotewall, Mr. G. P. de Martin, Mr. W. Kay, Mr. H. C. Woon, Messrs. H. R. Walls, A. Morris, H. Wallington, A. T. Hamilton, M. H. Lo, Horace Lo, G. W. Reeve, Rev. N. Evans and Capt. W. J. R. Cragg (A.D.C.).

MASTERS' REPORT

Presenting his report the Headmaster said:—Your Excellency, Ladies and Gentlemen—May I first of all, Sir, express our great appreciation of the honour you have conferred upon us by your presence here so soon after your arrival in the Colony? On behalf of the school I extend to you a hearty welcome. I regret I cannot welcome you to more congenial surroundings, we are all very proud of this stately and historic building (once destined, I understand, for the Supreme Court) and particularly of the magnificent hall. Admittedly, the neighbourhood is somewhat more salubrious than it was a few years ago, but even so, you will readily perceive, Sir, that we are not ideally situated, nor is the building suited to the requirements of a modern school. We still stand within 50 yards of our original foundation in 1862. It gave us great satisfaction, therefore, when your predecessor, Sir William Peel, announced publicly, shortly before his departure, that he hoped Government would find it possible to provide a new Queen's College in the not too distant future.
I will not trouble you with the usual school statistics, which are much the same from year to year. Our numbers have kept steady (round about 600), although there have been fluctuations of a year or two of it. In the number of applicants to our lowest class, Class 6. This year, 1935-36, we have had a record number of entries to the Senior School, Class 3, from the various Government District Schools.

In the School Certificate Examination which was held for the first time last June in place of the Hongkong University Matriculation Examination, 29 passed out of 46, 9 with Honours—63 per cent, against an average of 38 per cent. for the Colony (boys). Ng Shun Hung gained 6 Distinctions out of a possible 9, one being in Chinese. He was awarded a Government Education Scholarship to the University of Hongkong.

EXAMINATION PROBLEM

May I congratulate the University authorities on so successfully gauging our standards for the examination? There has been much discussion during the last year, both in the Colony and elsewhere, about examinations in general, and the School Certificate in particular. The writer of a recent report stigmatises examinations as a device to be stamped out; I am not at all sure that "young humanity" themselves in Hongkong would approve of such drastic action. I believe it was Huxley who said that "examinations were a necessary evil," but at least he admitted they were necessary. There is little doubt that, when run on proper lines, they are not only indispensable but are invaluable. It has been well said that they act both as a powerful "stimulus" to pupil and a necessary "audit" to teacher, and without them I fear our work would suffer. The "school record" and "school report" system of assessing the intelligence and industry of pupils is surely open to the objection that teachers are not always infallible in their judgments of their pupils. These methods must be reinforced by independent tests.

The present School Certificate Examination fulfils one important condition of a good school examination, viz. that it is determined largely by the school curriculum and syllabuses and not vice versa, and in this respect it differs fundamentally from the old Matriculation, a difference which is an asset to our system. In an attempt to do away with the old Matriculation was an evil for a school leaving examination: there is now little conflict between the curriculum and the present examination. The School Certificate should not be an "incubus" or a suggested for it is a test of the end of a pupil's school career on most of the ordinary school subjects, taught over many years, and which, after much discussion, were considered necessary in Hongkong.

The examination is somewhat rigid but as stated on a previous occasion anything elastic is apt to perish in Hongkong; or to apply a well known principle of Economics, bad (i.e. soft) subjects will always drive out good subjects.
The examination is a weekly periodical of their own it is typed in English and Chinese, is illustrated and is pinned up for all to read—a most

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VICKERS' PROGRESS

AIRCRAFT DESIGN ADVANCES

London, Jan. 16.
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The Vickers Wellesley medium bomber is in production in considerable numbers for the Royal Air Force. It could be loaded only with fuel, the Wellesley could fly 8,000 miles in still air.—British Wireless.

BEATTY MAY RETIRE

London, Jan. 17.
It is semi-officially announced to-day that His Majesty the King will permit Earl Beatty, Admiral of the Fleet, to retire to-day, on his sixtieth birthday.—United Press.

programme (and hence our whole educational system) must of necessity differ considerably from those obtaining elsewhere, and of those there are endless varieties. We are not called upon, for example, to fit our boys into any particular niche of employment in social life. It is somewhat difficult to state an aim in so many words—a School Certificate Examination should be less academic than Matriculation, if a more human and everyday kind; it should be taken by the widest range of pupils, without the necessity for cramming, and with a good prospect of success, provided previous promotions have been conscientiously made. For the average Hongkong pupil I feel that, (to quote from a previous report), "if on leaving school he can read the varied news in English and Chinese newspapers with fair ease and intelligence, then the schools have done, academically, all that can be expected of them," and the School Certificate Examination, based as it is on a curriculum which provides a good background of knowledge in a number of subjects, is rather the fashion to gird at newspapers and yet they do enter largely into our daily lives.

I am much in sympathy with a recommendation of the recent report which states that a Leaving Examination should be held at an earlier stage than at present, in order to cater for a wider range of pupil. I have frequently drawn attention to the Government Clerkships Examination, which is a test of the ability of a pupil to leave, usually about 60 per cent. leave before the end for one reason and another. This is educationally unsound and also most uneconomical. I am convinced there is a large and genuine demand for an independent certificate before Class 1; the Headmaster's certificate is not sufficient. The old Junior Local Examination served this purpose to some extent. Last week about 80 boys out of 110 from my two senior classes, as far as the Government Clerkships Examination, they want posts, they are prepared to leave; they stay on to Class 1 now, if they can get there, to take the present School Certificate Examination—and I view with concern the future of these senior classes, if many of the pass and are called up by Government. An examination at an earlier stage would not, I think, affect those who wish to enter a University later.

Owing to the change in the School year this Examination now cuts right across our school year and I would again plead that the School Leaving Examination be taken by Government as their recruiting examination for clerks.

RECREATION

During the year Government levied and returned, at considerable expense, a large portion of our recreation ground at Causeway Bay; I can assure Government that I was money well spent. Since then the ground has been made available for organised games for four other Government schools, and I have no hesitation in saying that school games for all of us have taken on a new lease of life. There is tremendous activity now in games; we play cricket, football, hockey, tennis, volleyball and basketball and both inter-class and inter-school matches are arranged regularly. Occasionally we play teams from Canton, etc. Our organised games now take place during school hours; parties of 100-150 boys go down twice a week, in charge of masters, and all boys, unless specially exempted, are expected to play games.

Under this hall we have a splendid basement equipped for indoor recreation. From Queen's College in November after 37 years of faithful and loyal service. I regret the impending departure of Mr. H. G. Wallington and K. L. Chan, on transfer to other schools, after 12 years excellent service at Queen's.

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I regret to say that only 30-40 per cent. of our boys can swim, rather deplorable in a place like Hongkong. It would be a splendid thing, if only for their physique, if school boys could be sent regularly to the beaches in the summer months as was the case a few years ago before the Government beaches were closed down. Physical Training in school, organised games in the winter, and organised swimming in the summer, the problem of Physical Education, on which so much stress is laid in modern education all over the world, would in large measure be solved by the tremendous benefit to the pupils individually and to the Colony generally.

VALUE OF GAMES
The increased alertness in school during the last few months has been remarkable and many of our staff have commented on this. It is a common thing now for boys themselves to open up doors and windows, rather than sit as heretofore in stuffy rooms. I should like to remove a misapprehension which, I understand, exists in the minds of certain parents, viz. that school hours devoted to organised games are so much waste of time, or perhaps I should say time lost to the pupils' studies. It has been proved by actual experiment at home that the work was better done after the introduction of these games. I can assure parents that there will be no loss of efficiency on this score and that the school work will not be allowed to suffer. Formerly, apart from a few aristocrats at games, it was all work and little or no play. There is little danger of the pendulum swinging too far for the other way. Boys get only a couple of hours a fortnight at these games and I do not think this can be regarded as excessive.

The Yellow Dragon, our school magazine, which has appeared without a break since 1899, continues to flourish. The Staff and boys, both past and present, contribute to its pages: it is one of the links which join us to the Old Boys, the other being the Old Boys' Association. The latter again held a successful dinner in this hall during the year.
Mr. E. Burney, His Majesty's Inspector, on his visit to the school last year remarked on the excellence of our libraries: we have a College Library for Staff and senior pupils (1810 vols.), 10 Class Libraries (1000 vols.), a Science Library (229 vols.), Teachers' Reference Library (528 vols.) and a Chinese Library (483 vols.).
Mr. Ng Fung-chau, the senior Anglo-Chinese master in the Education Department, retired on pension from Queen's College in November after 37 years of faithful and loyal service. I regret the impending departure of Mr. H. G. Wallington and K. L. Chan, on transfer to other schools, after 12 years excellent service at Queen's.

Presenting the awards, H.E. the Governor said:—I am not going to make a long speech, but I want to thank you very heartily for the welcome which you have given me this morning. I always enjoy visiting schools because I am one of those lucky people who enjoyed their own school days and like to be reminded of them. In the retrospect certain, shall we say, salutary but painful incidents fall into a proper, and now pictures, perspective. I have listened with great interest to the Headmaster's speech, and I am glad to understand all that he has said about examinations which is lucky perhaps; because if I had, I might have been tempted into rash and unguarded comment or dissent. If the Director of Education feels that representations on this matter should be made to Government he will doubtless make them, and they will of course be carefully considered. I can say no more than that.
As regards new premises for this school anybody who is studying the public finance of the Colony seriously will agree with me that the project of new buildings must be relegated for the present to the category of castles in the air. And, as Calverley put it, if you can't realise your ideal you must do your best to idealise the real. In other words, the running of this school, what we have got, and from what I have already learned of the traditions and record of Queen's College I know that this will be philosophically and successfully done.

It now remains for me to congratulate not only the prize-winners but the runners-up, that is to say all who have put in a good term's work. Every hard worker may be said to participate in the prizes in the sense that but for a strong competition they wouldn't be worth getting. That is all I have to say except to thank you again, Mr. Headmaster, for asking me to come here this morning.

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